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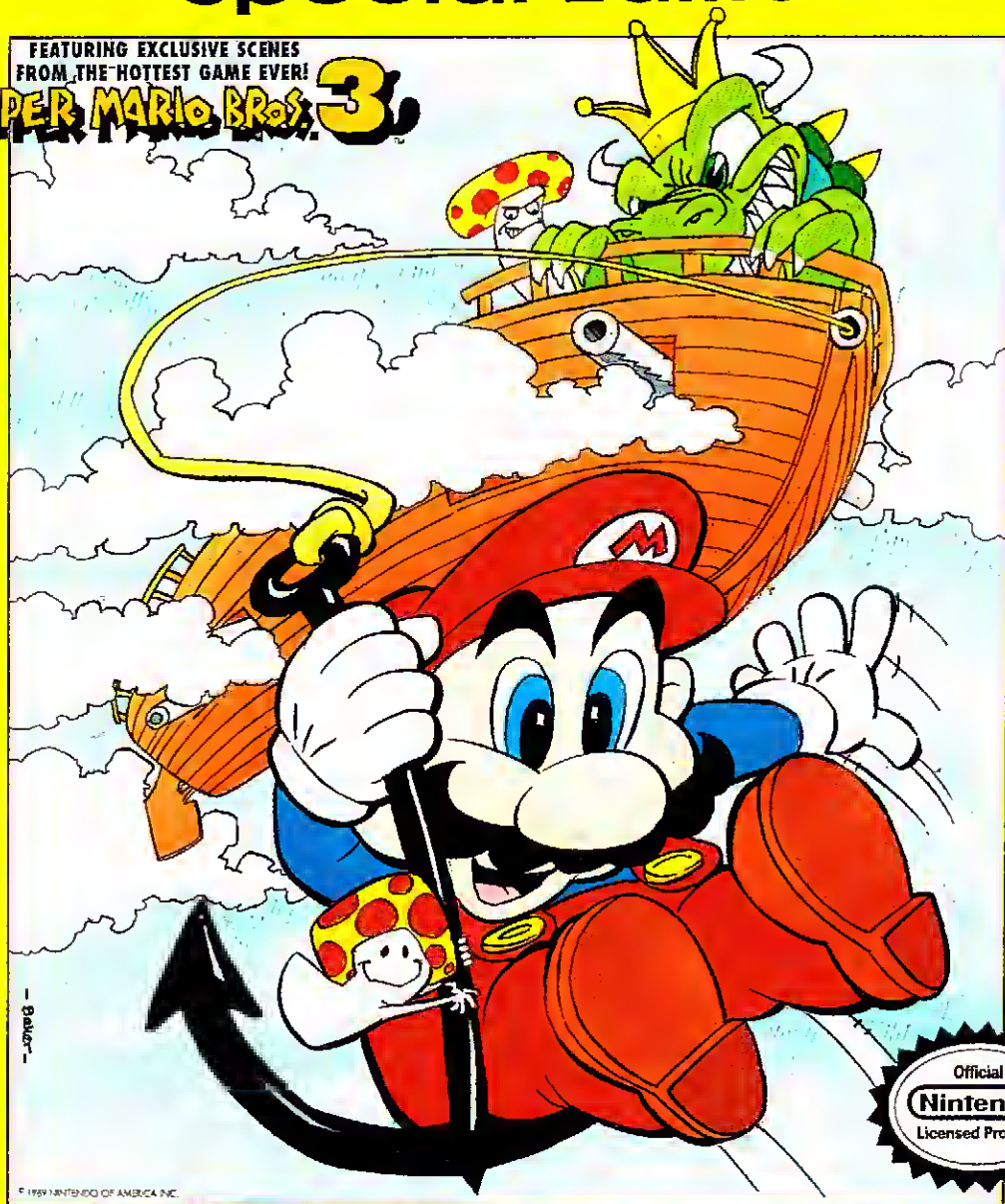
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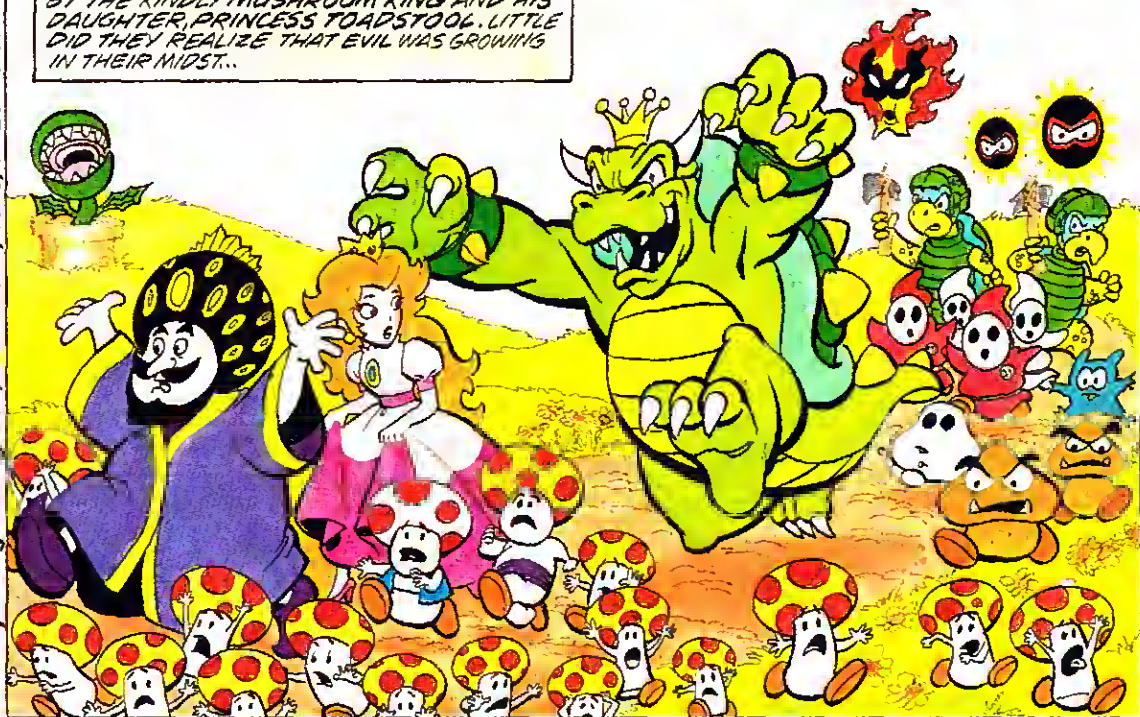


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THE LEGEND

FAR BEYOND THE WORLD WE KNOW LIES THE MAGICAL MUSHROOM KINGDOM. THERE, THE MUSHROOM PEOPLE LIVED IN PEACE, RULED BY THE KINDLY MUSHROOM KING AND HIS DAUGHTER, PRINCESS TOADSTOOL. LITTLE DID THEY REALIZE THAT EVIL WAS GROWING IN THEIR MIDST...

THE FREEDOM-LOVING FUNGI WERE MENACED BY THE FORCES OF TYRANNY!



THE BIGGEST TROUBLEMAKER WAS A REVOLTING REPTILE AND A DESPICABLE DESPOT-- THAT CALLOUS, COLD-BLOODED CREEP, KING BOWSER KOOPA.

WHO WERE YOU EXPECTING? THE TOOTH FAIRY?



TOAD, THE ROYAL MUSHROOM RETAINER, WONDERED... "WHO WOULD SAVE THE KINGDOM?"

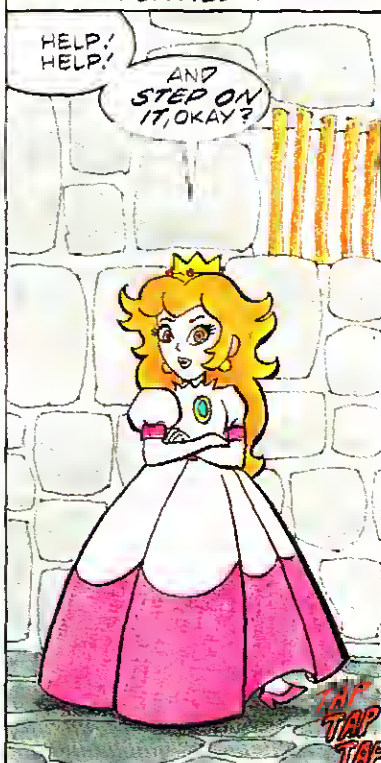
GOOD QUESTION, HUH?



THE KIND, GENTLE, DEMURE PRINCESS TOADSTOOL CALLED FOR HELP.

HELP! HELP!

AND STEP ON IT, OKAY?

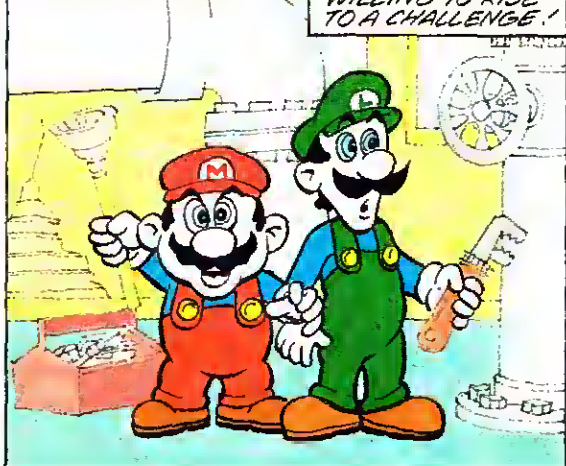


FORTUNATELY, WORD REACHED THE EARS OF TWO HEROIC CHAMPIONS OF GOODNESS AND RIGHT. TWO MEN WHO HUNGRED FOR JUSTICE AND THIRSTED FOR FREEDOM.



MARIO, A MAN OF GREAT COURAGE AND DETERMINATION!

AND HIS BROTHER LUIGI WHO, THOUGH SHY, WAS ALWAYS WILLING TO RISE TO A CHALLENGE!

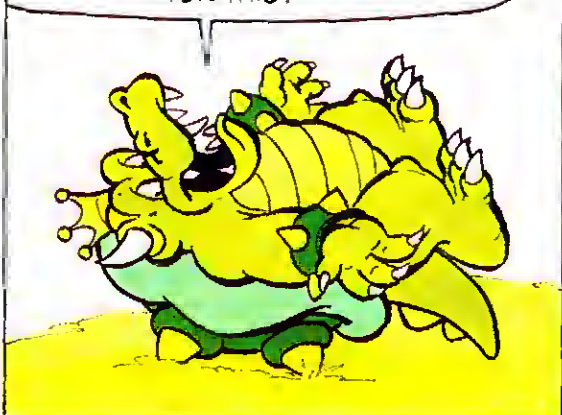


THIS IS WHERE THE LEGEND ENDS AND THE ADVENTURE BEGINS. THE SUPER MARIO BROTHERS DEFEATED THE FORCES OF EVIL...



HOWEVER, KING KOOPA WASN'T GOING TO TAKE DEFEAT LYING DOWN.

PLUNGED INTO DESPAIR BY A PAIR OF PLUMBERS. ALL MY EVIL PLANS FLUSHED DOWN THE DRAIN. BUT, I'LL GET THEM FOR THIS!



OUR HEROES KNEW THAT, JUST LIKE WATER IN A CLOGGED SINK, THE CALL FOR HELP WOULD RISE AGAIN.

REMEMBER, THE BEST LAID PIPES OF MUSHROOMS AND MEN ARE BOUND IN TIME TO BURST!

BUT, IN THE MEANTIME, WHEN DO WE EAT?



GAME OVER

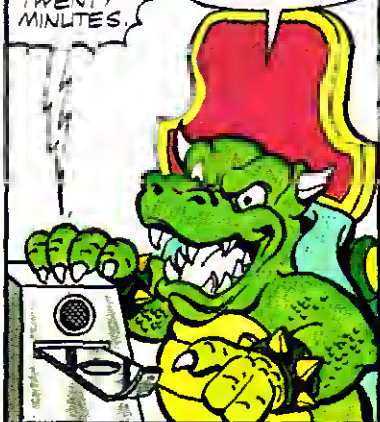
MUTINY ON THE FUNGI!

A STOUT SHIP, A LOYAL
CREW--OR ELSE--AND
LOTS OF STOLEN MONEY.
THIS IS THE MOST FUN
YOU CAN HAVE WITHOUT
PULVERIZING A PLUMBER!



PLEASE
INSERT ONE
MILLION
KOOPABITS
FOR THE
NEXT
TWENTY
MINUTES.

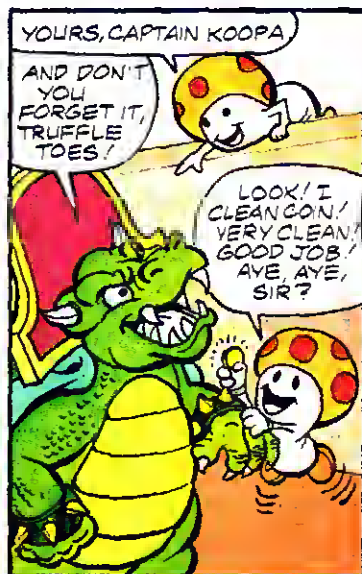
WHOSE
HAREBRAINED
IDEA WAS IT
TO MAKE A
COIN-OPERATED
BATTLESHIP?



YOURS, CAPTAIN KOOPA

AND DON'T
YOU
FORGET IT,
TRUFFLE
TOES!

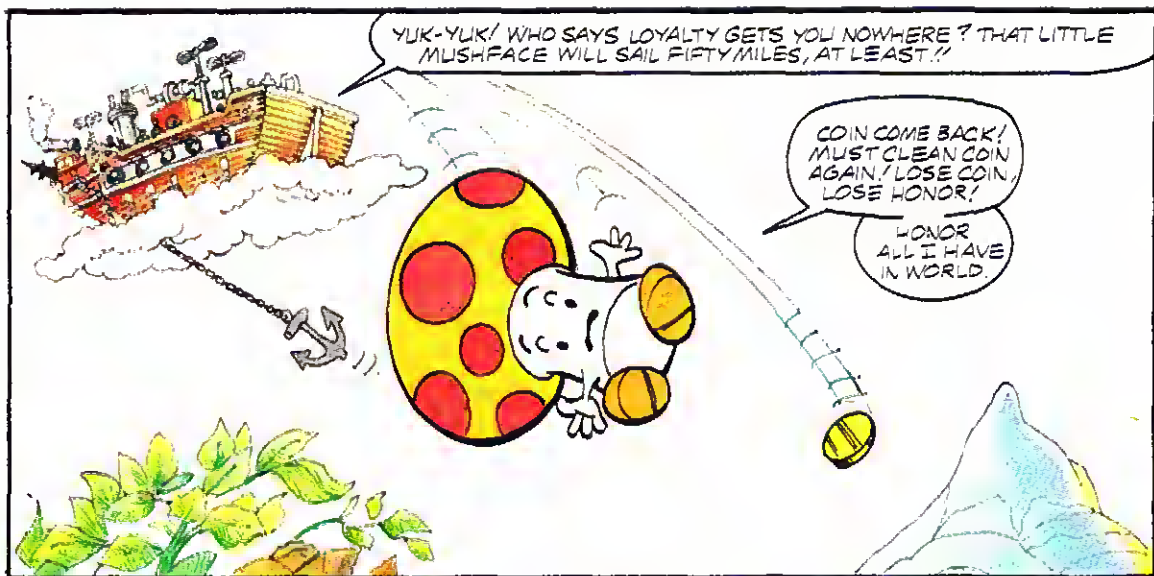
LOOK! I
CLEAN COIN!
VERY CLEAN!
GOOD JOB!
AYE, AYE,
SIR?



AW, SHUT UP!!

COIN NOT
CLEAN
ENOUGH?





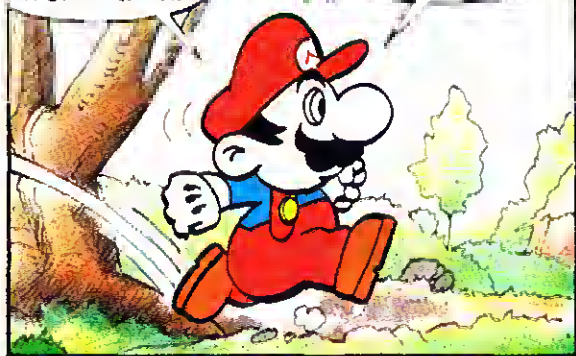
NOT FAR AWAY, MARIO IS DEEP IN THOUGHT. WHY? BECAUSE THE KING OF MUSHROOMLAND HAS BEEN MAGICALLY TRANSFORMED INTO A COLLIE.

IT'S NOT LIKE WE DIDN'T HAVE PROBLEMS BACK IN BROOKLYN...

BUT AS A RULE, NO ONE TURNED OUR KINGS INTO DOGS!

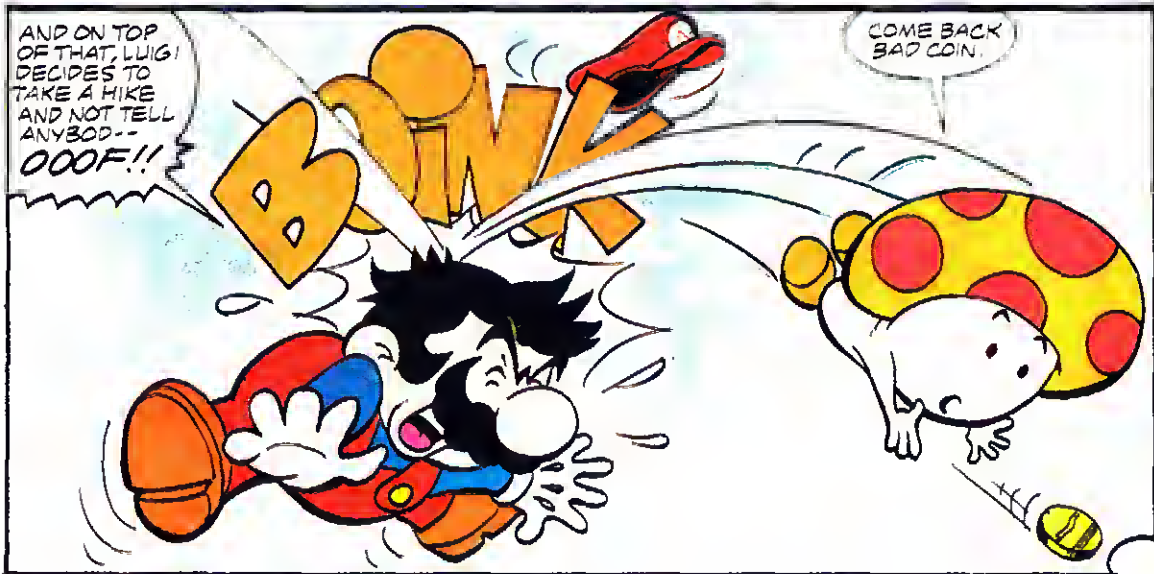
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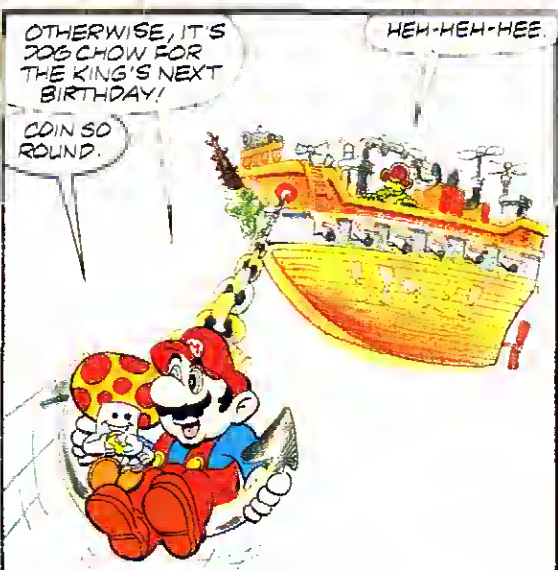
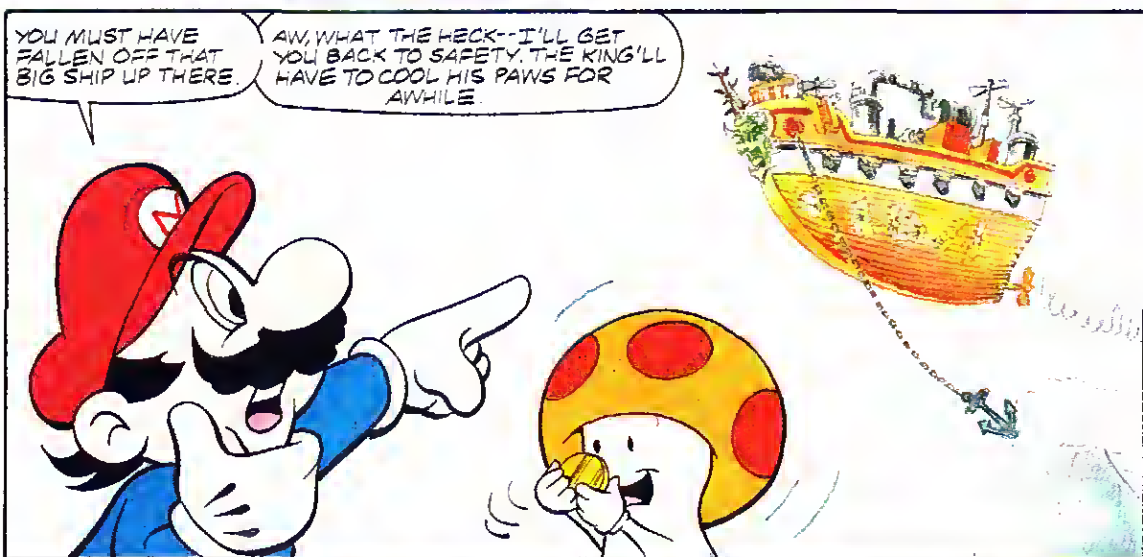
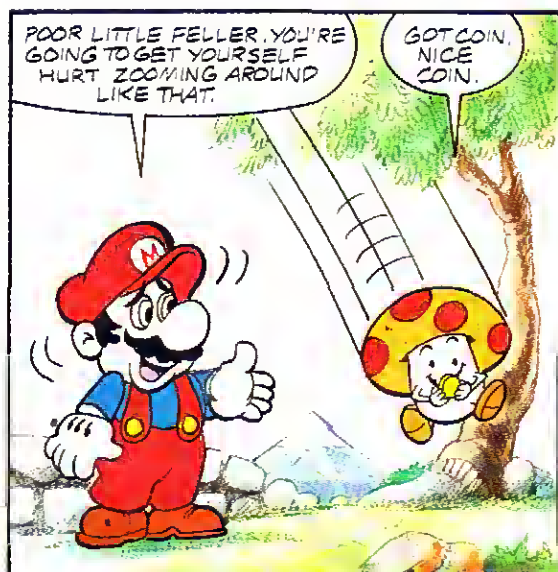
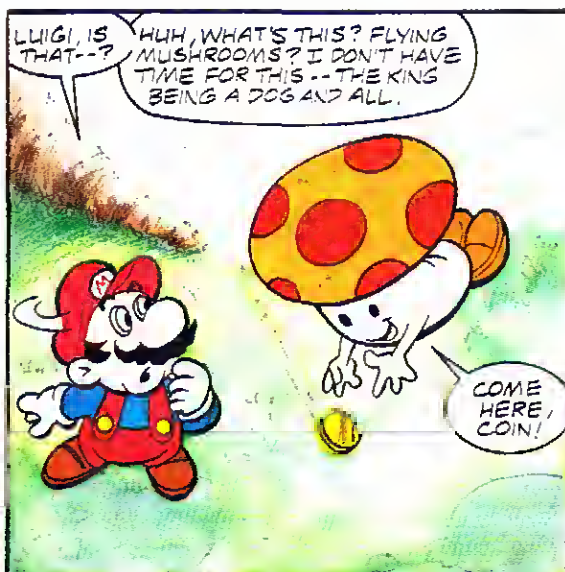
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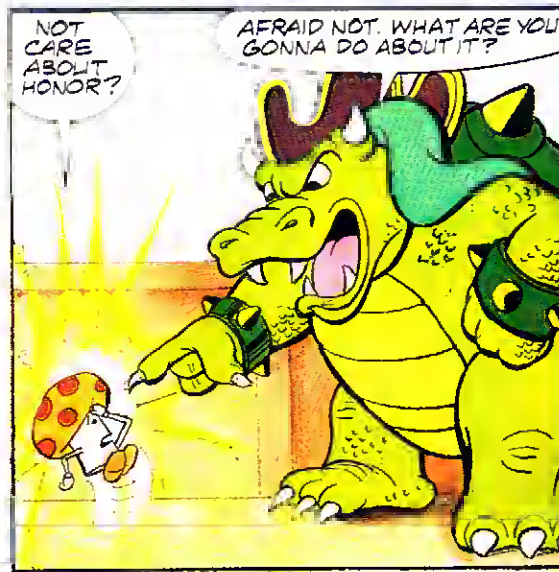
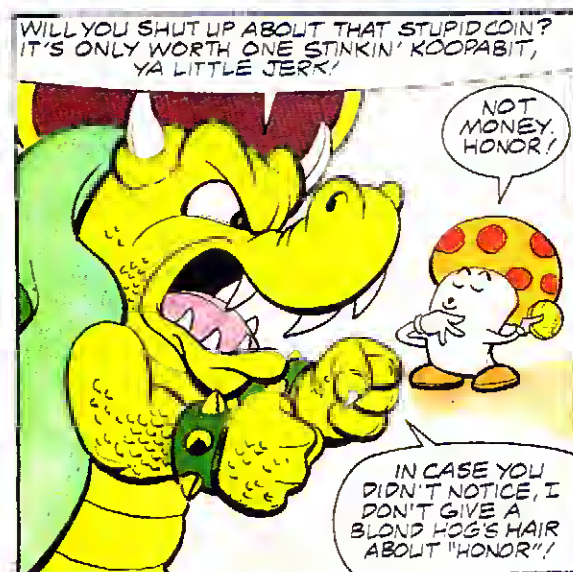
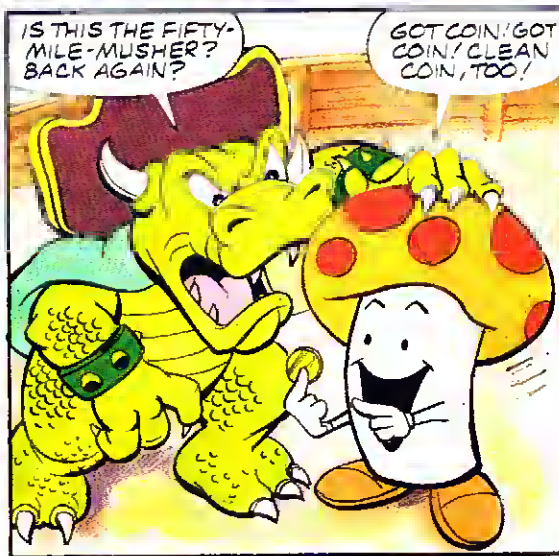
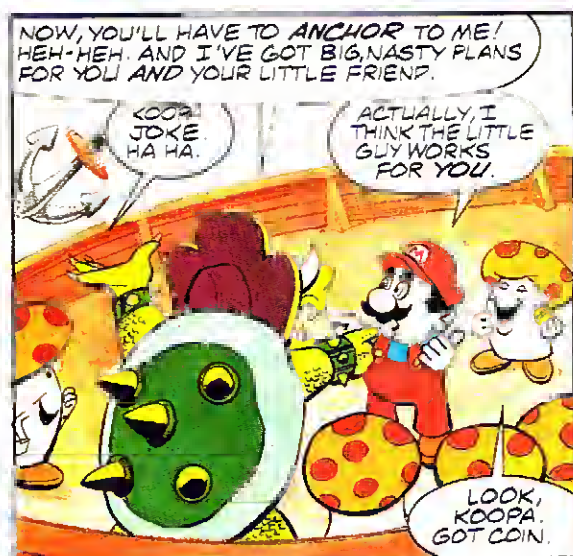
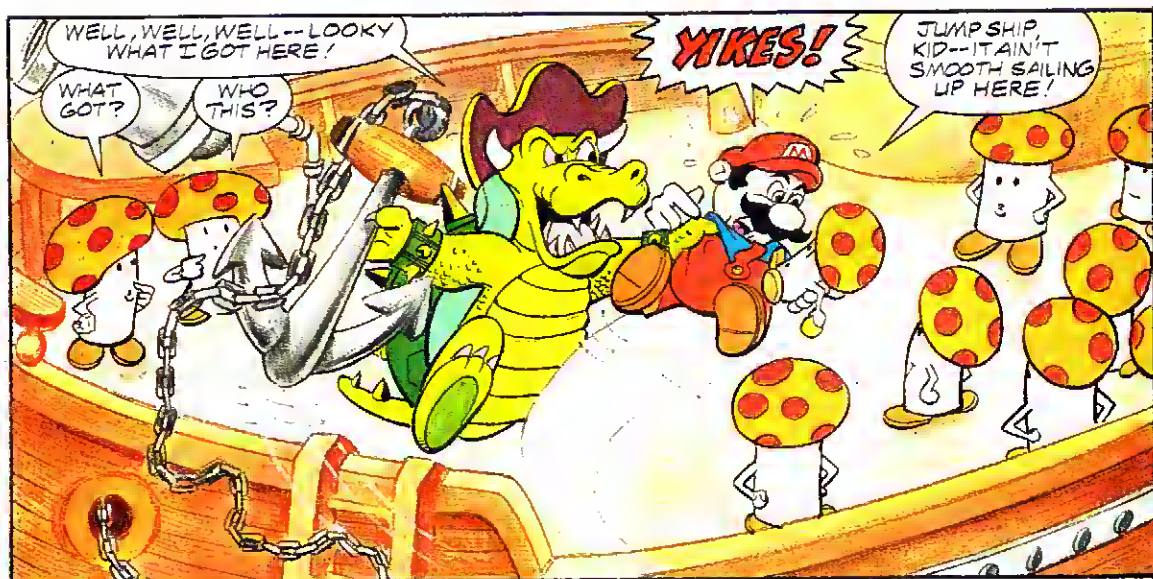


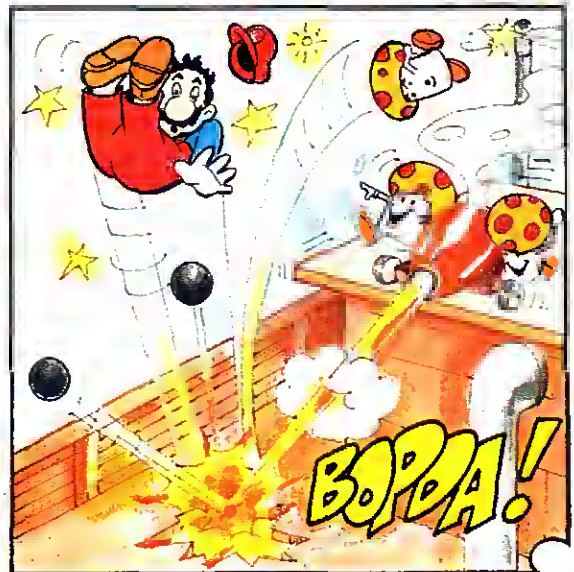
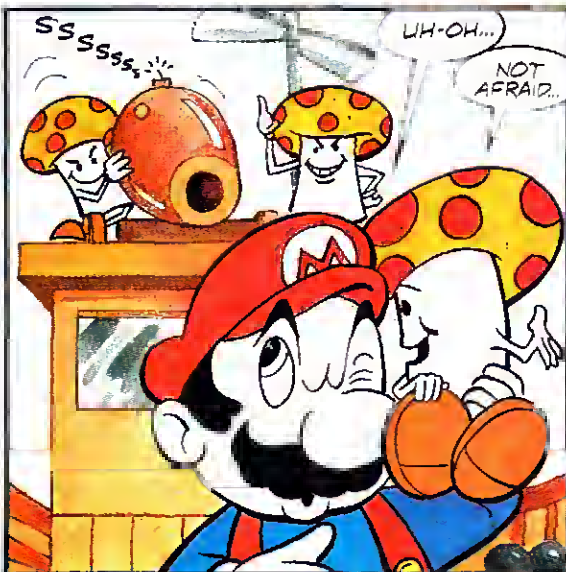
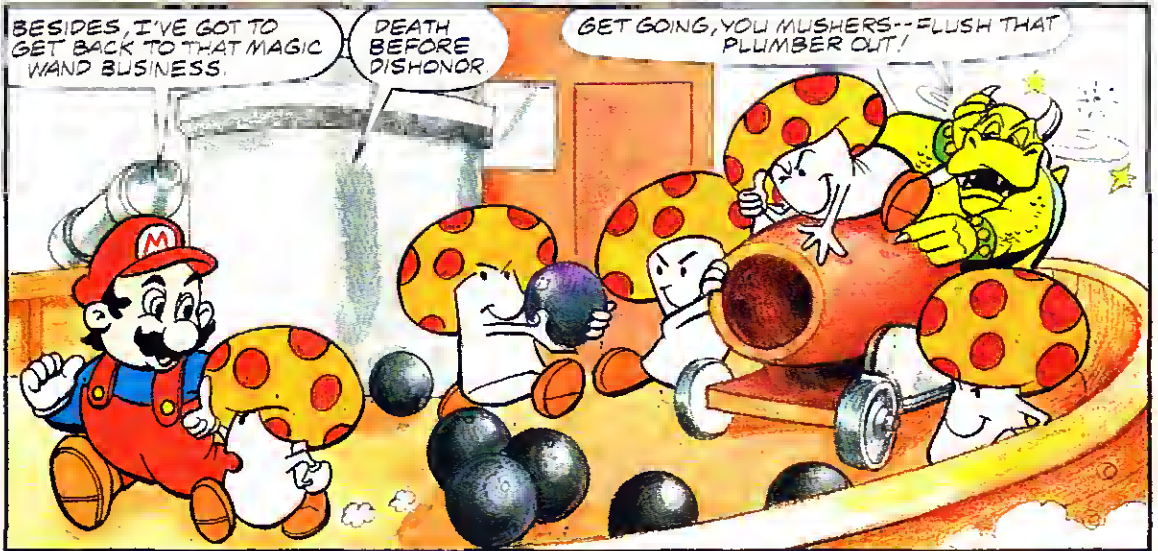
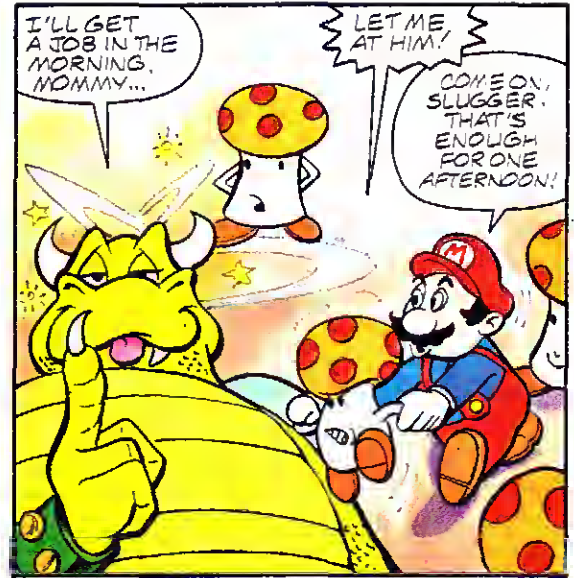
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OOOF!!

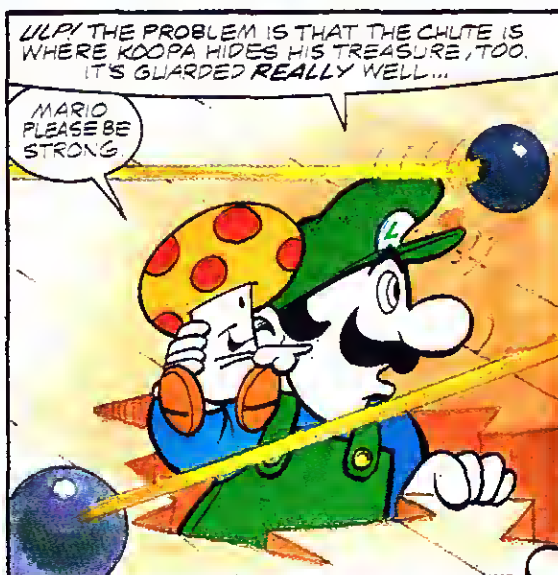
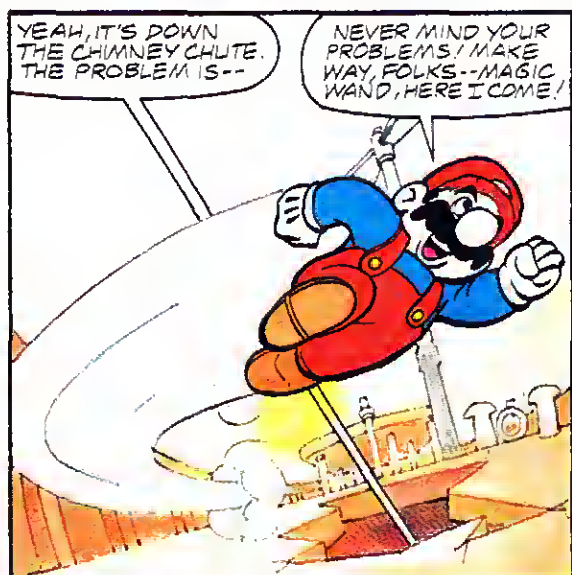
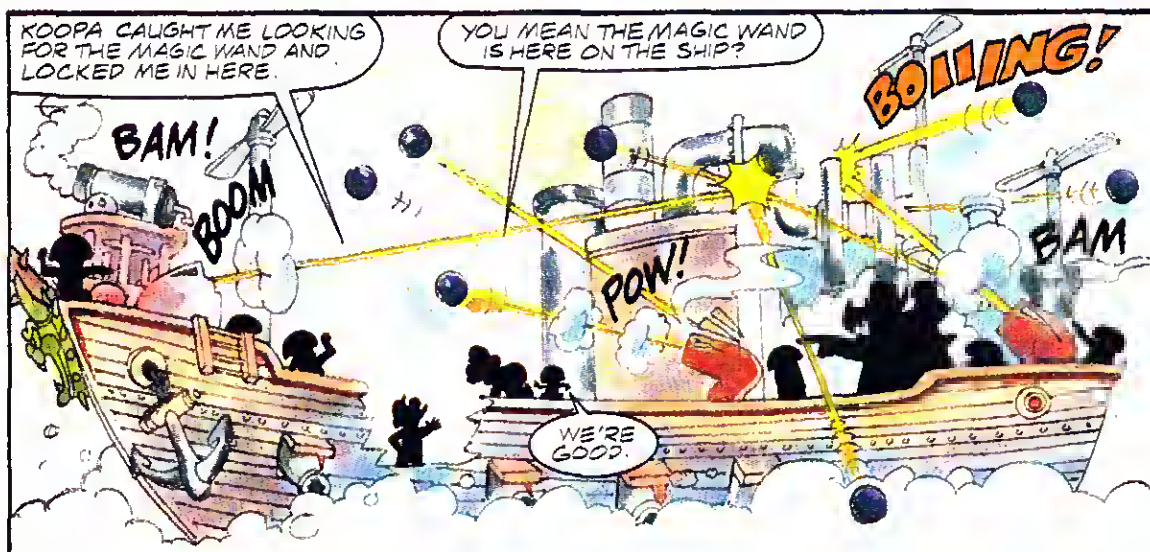
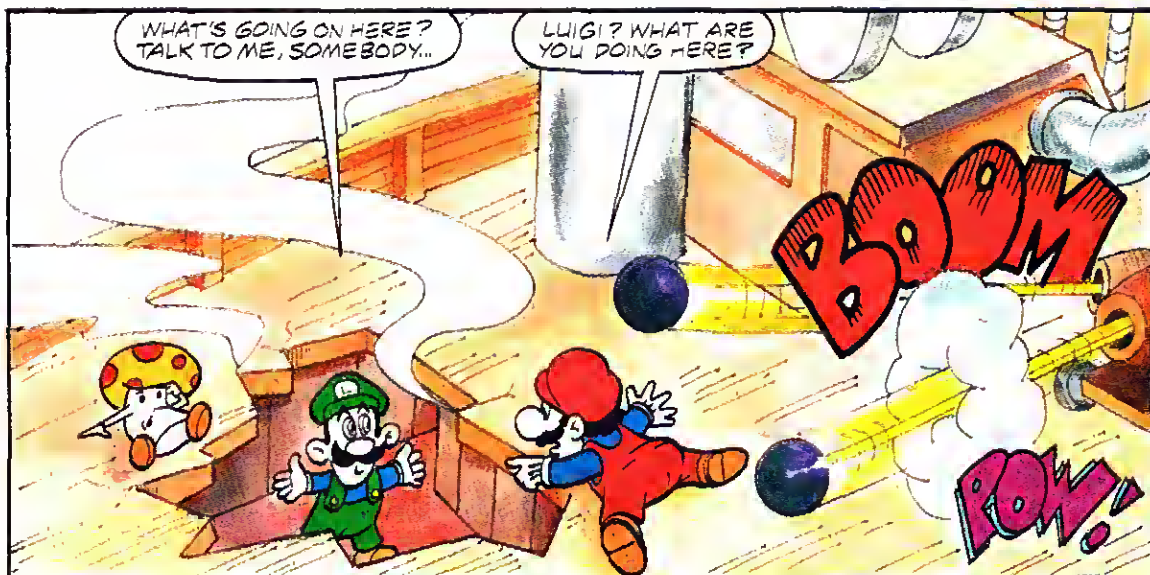
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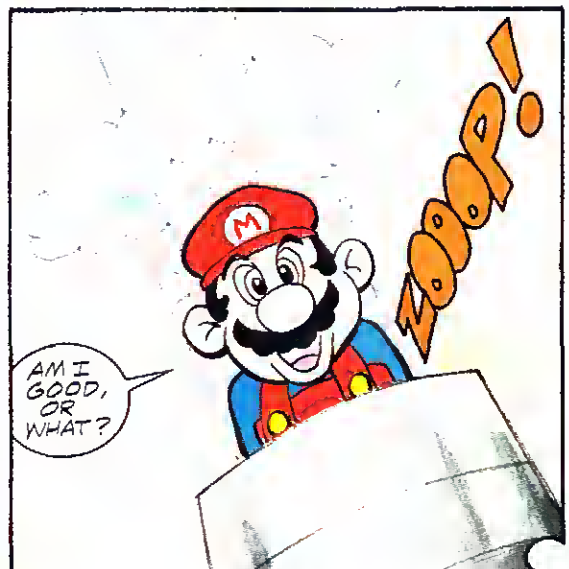
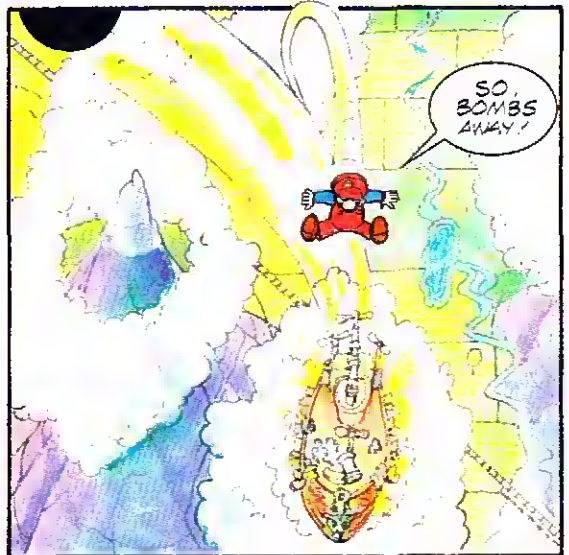
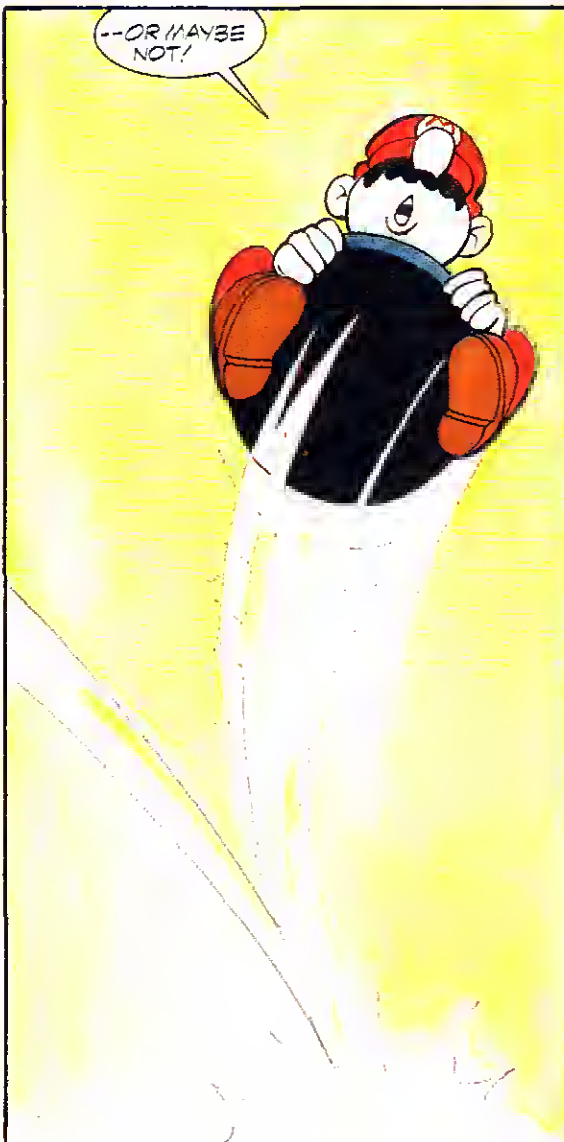
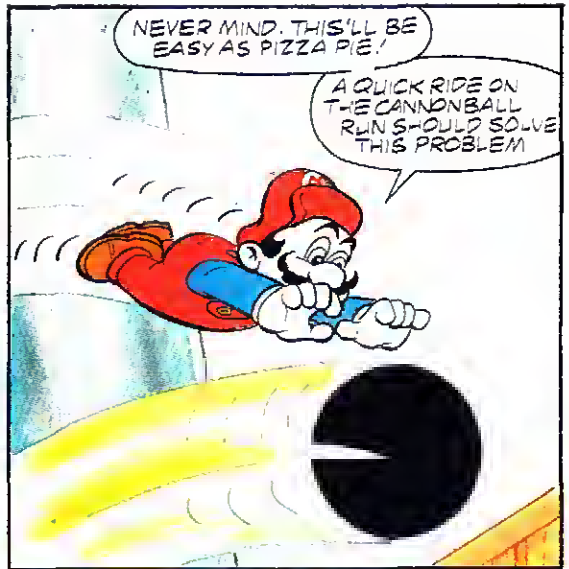
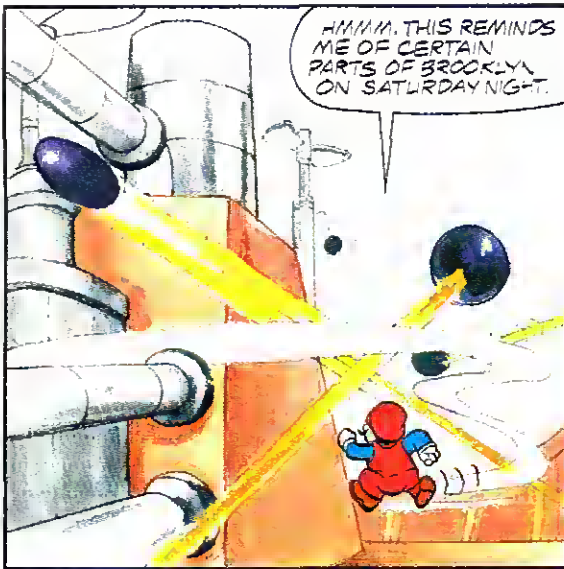


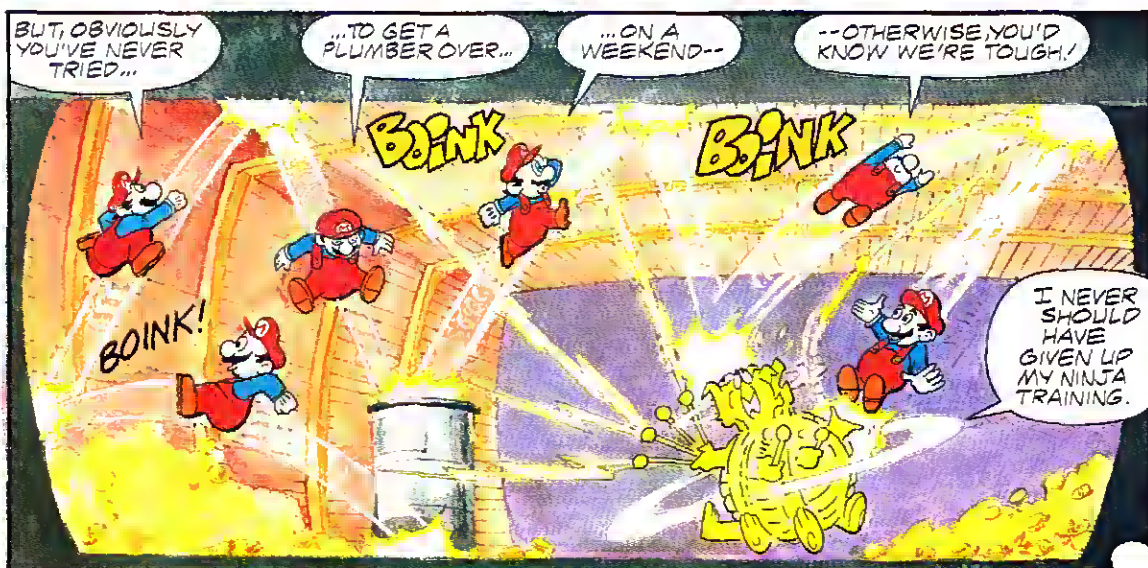
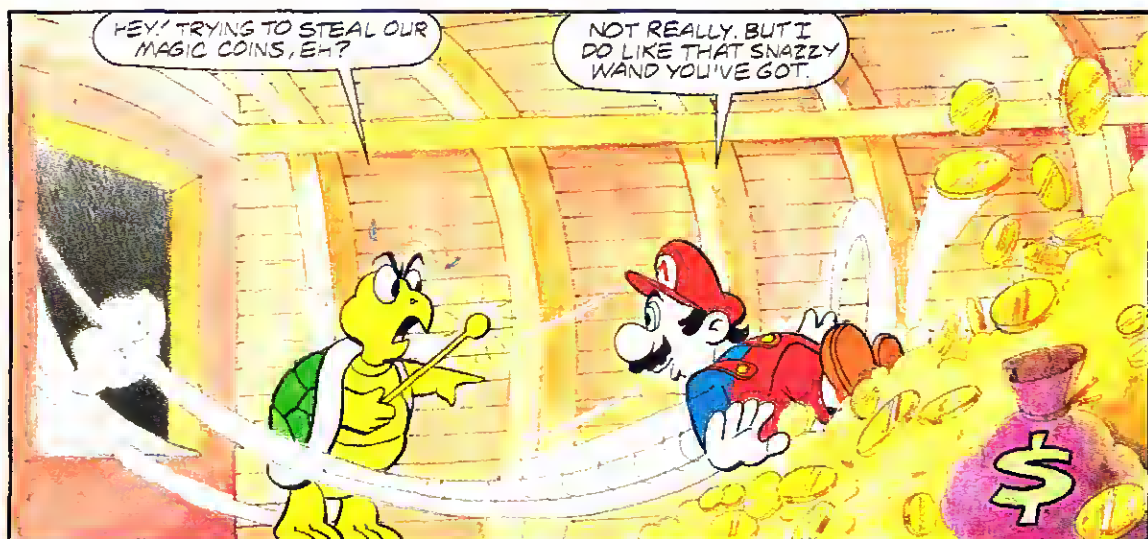


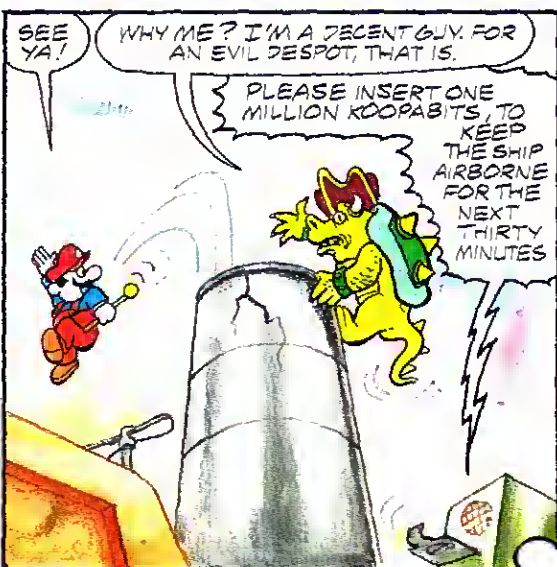
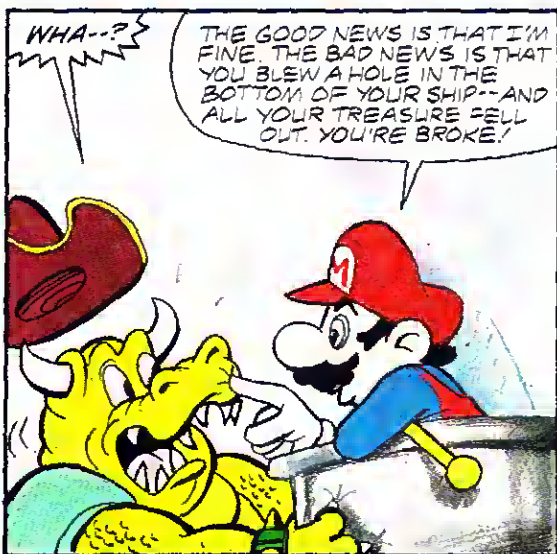
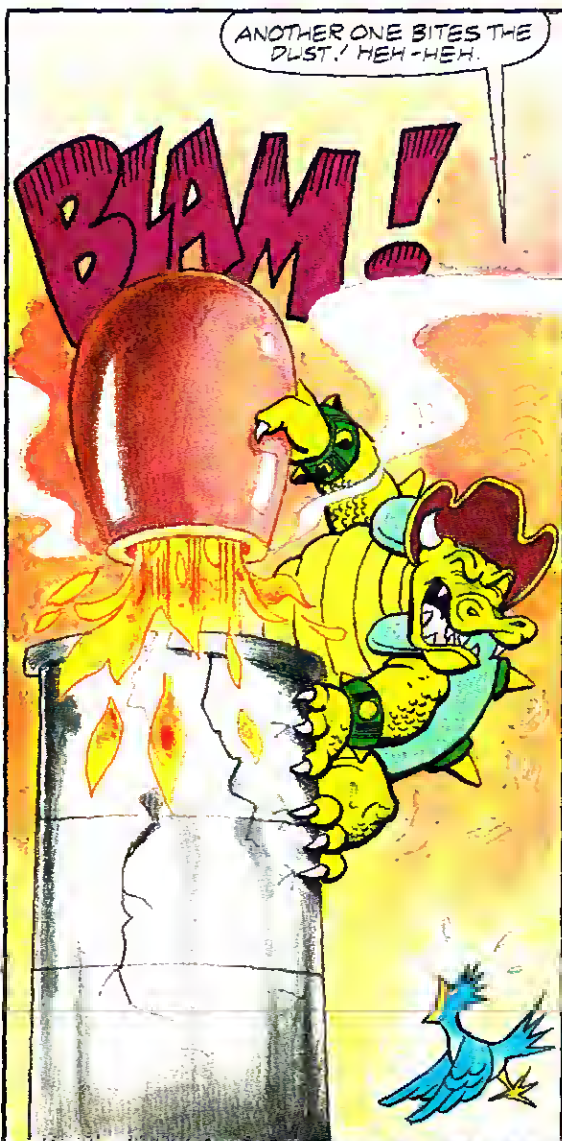
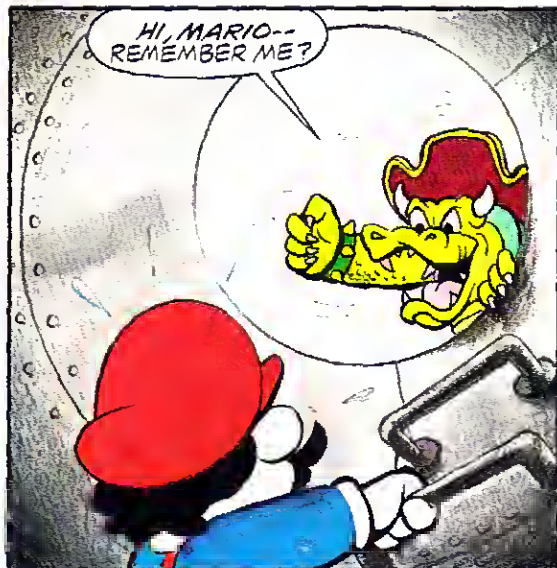
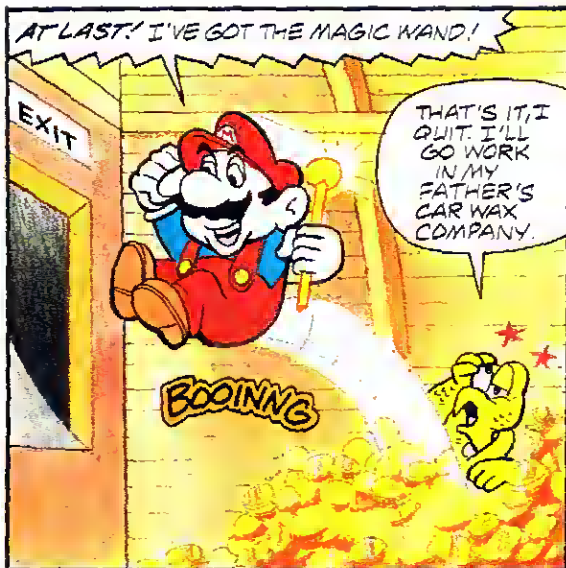


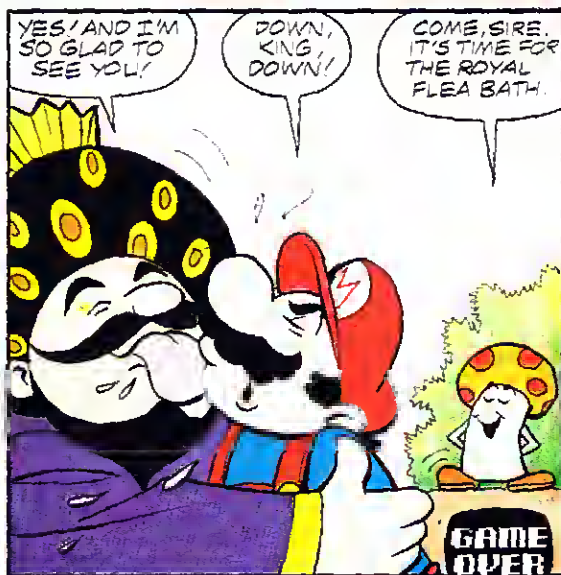
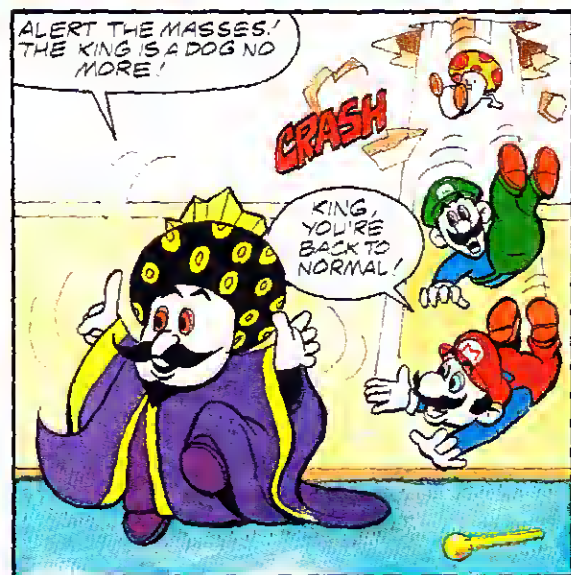
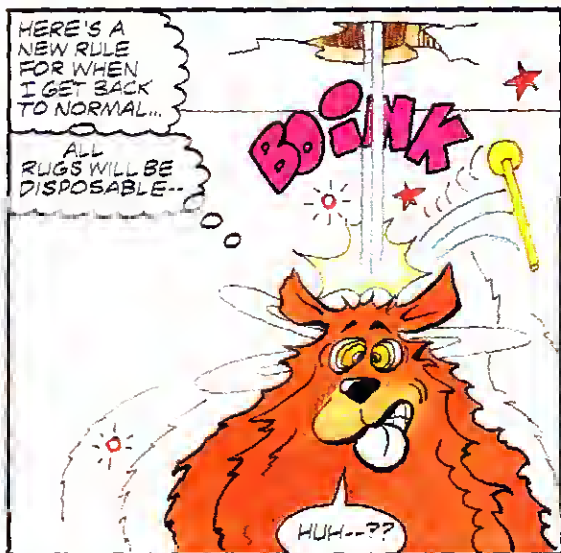
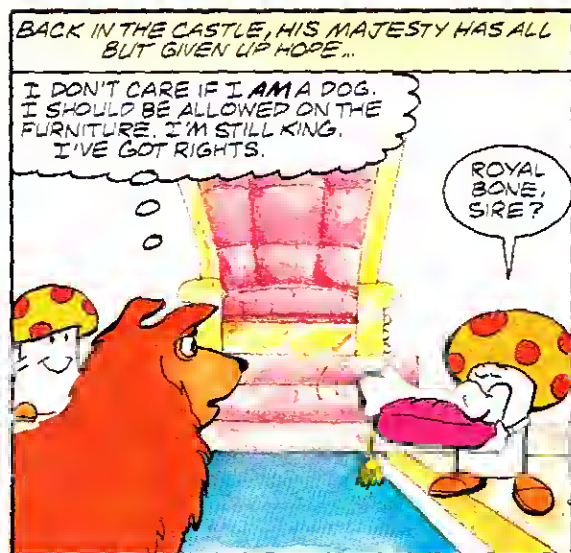
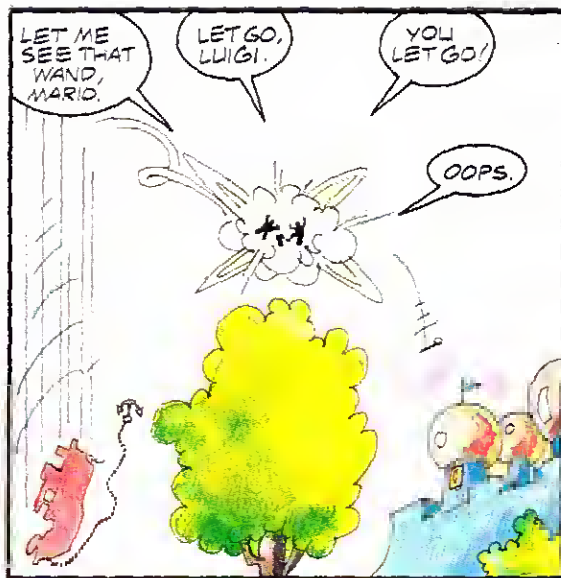
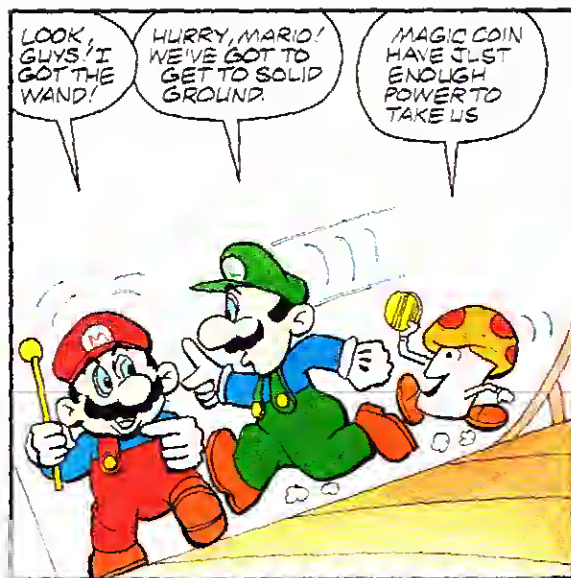








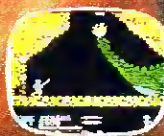




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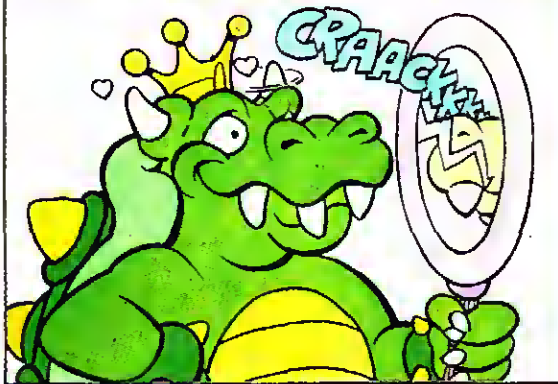
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Health & Beauty Tips



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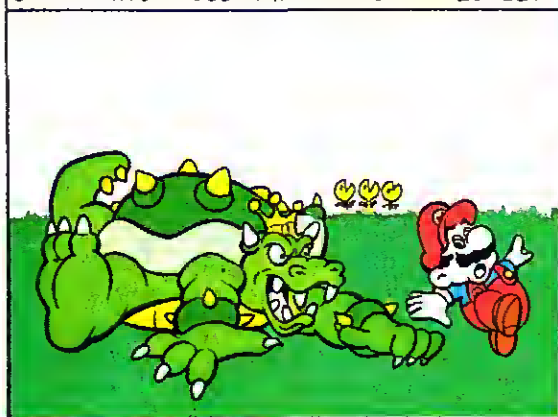
WOULD YOU LIKE TO ACHIEVE THAT KOOPA-LIKE GLOW OF HEALTH? NOW YOU CAN!! USING JUST A FEW OF KOOPA'S PERSONAL BEAUTY TRICKS, YOU TOO CAN LOOK JUST AS WONDERFUL AS MUSHROOMLAND'S DROP-DEAD GORGEOUS TYRANT!



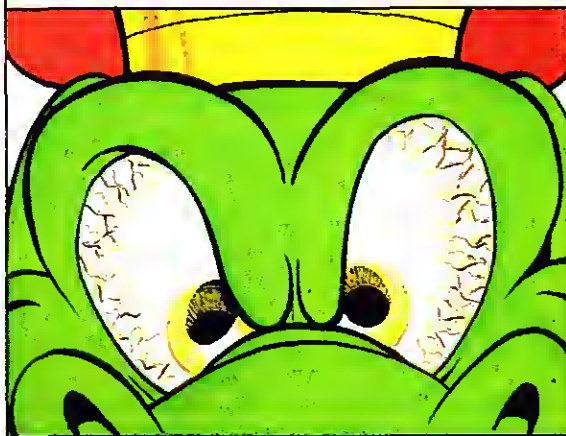
A SMALL WART ABOVE YOUR LIP CAN HIGHLIGHT THOSE RAZOR SHARP TEETH AND A MEDIUM SIZED WART WITH HAIR ON IT CAN TURN AN ORDINARY NOSE IN TO A SCHNOZZOLA TO BE PROUD OF!



REMEMBER, DON'T BITE YOUR NAILS. LONG NAILS AREN'T JUST GOOD-LOOKING, THEY'RE PRACTICAL, TOO. THEY'RE GREAT FOR SCRATCHING THOSE HARD-TO-REACH PEOPLE!



TINTED CONTACT-LENSES CAN HELP MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR EYES. SEE HOW THEY HELP ME? HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU, KIDS!

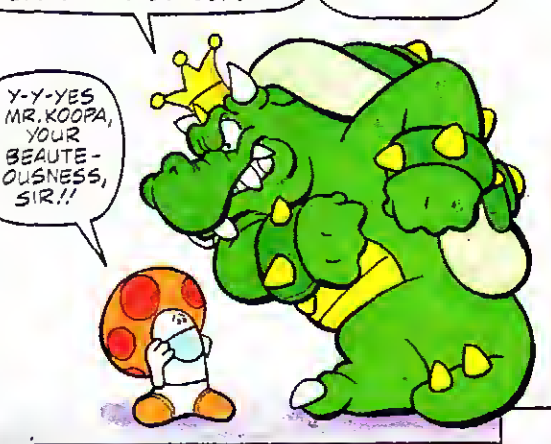


YOU ONLY HAVE TWO OR THREE SETS OF TEETH, SO TREAT THEM WITH RESPECT. BE SURE TO FILE AFTER EVERY MEAL--AND AVOID SWEETS. NEXT TIME, SNACK ON SOMEBODY RAW AND CRISP.



OF COURSE, IN THE END, BEAUTY IS ALWAYS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER...

...AIN'T THAT SO??



Y-Y-YES MR. KOOPA, YOUR BEAUTE- OUSNESS, SIR!!

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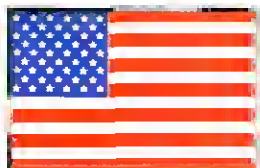
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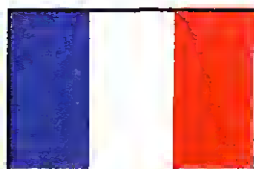
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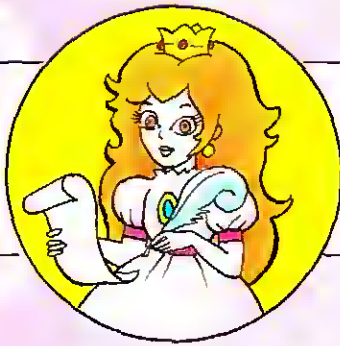
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Dear Princess Toadstool

Dear Princess Toadstool,

I'm considered a pretty handsome guy. I may not be the biggest fella on the planet, but I do have a pretty nifty moustache.

The problem is, my girlfriend says my moustache tickles... and she wants me to shave it off!

I love my girlfriend, but I also love my moustache! What should I do?

Sincerely,
Luigi
Mushroomland

Dear Luigi:

This great land of ours was built on compromise...so why don't you shave off half your moustache?



Dear Princess Toadstool,

I think that a person should have a goal in life... and my goal is to take over Mushroomland and squash its fungus-faced inhabitants with my foot.

I think I'm ready to do this now...but my mother insists that I finish high school first.

My question is: does a person really need a high school diploma in order to conquer the world?

Worst Wishes,
Koopa
Mushroomland

Dear Koopa:

Your mother is absolutely right! You may not need a high school diploma to conquer the world. But someday you might want a job that requires some intelligence. Then you'll really wish you'd gotten that diploma! Stay in school!!



Dear Daughter,

How come I'm always getting turned into dogs, lizards and stuff? It's not fair. Don't you think a king deserves some respect?

My Royal Highness,
The King



Dear Daddy:

I respectfully decline to answer, on the grounds that it may affect my allowance.

Do YOU have a perplexing problem to pose to a princess? Write to "Dear Princess Toadstool," in care of this fine publication!



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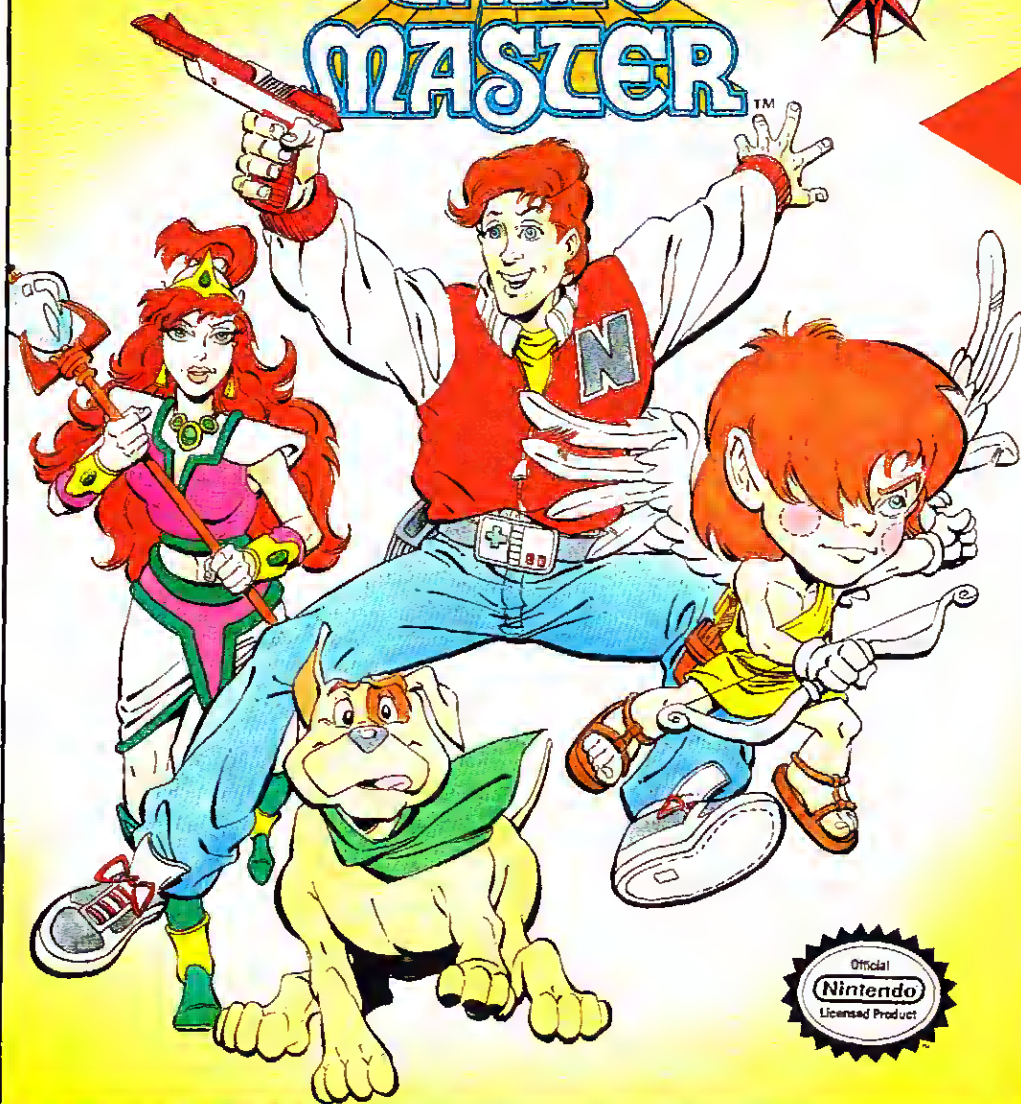
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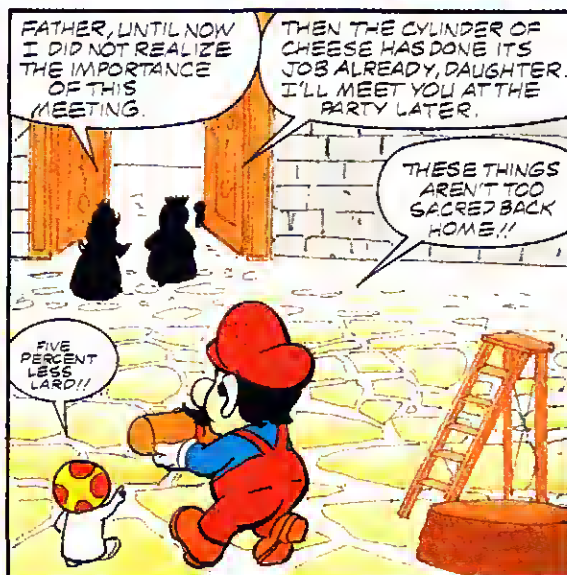
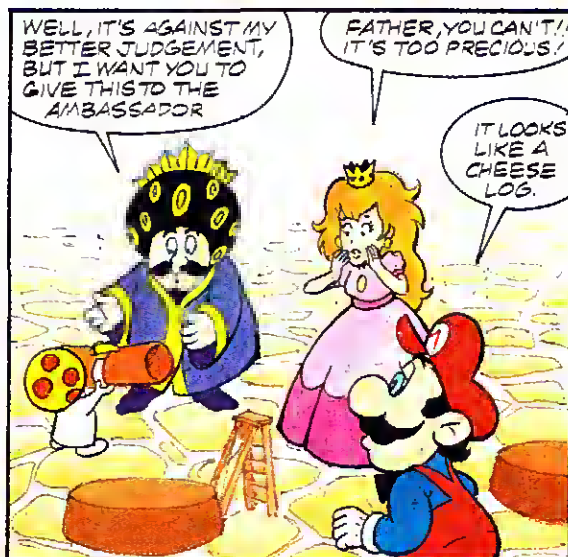
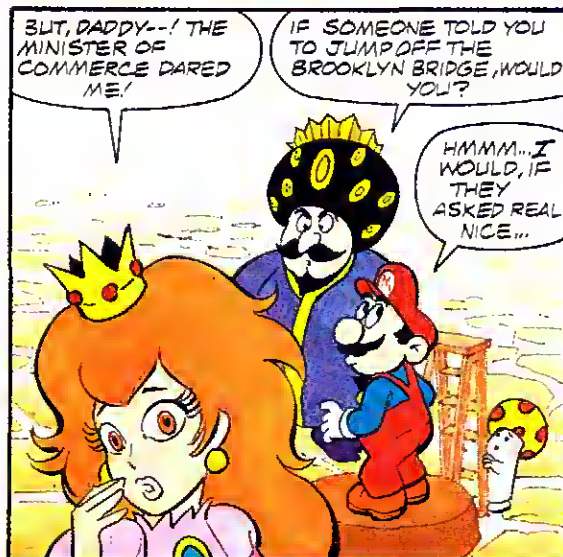
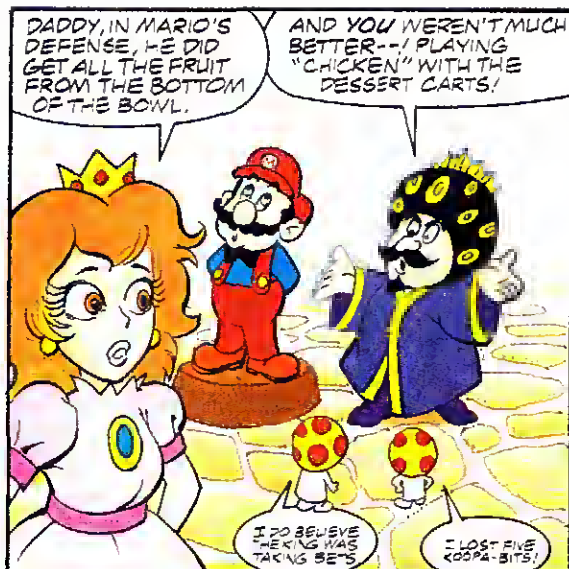
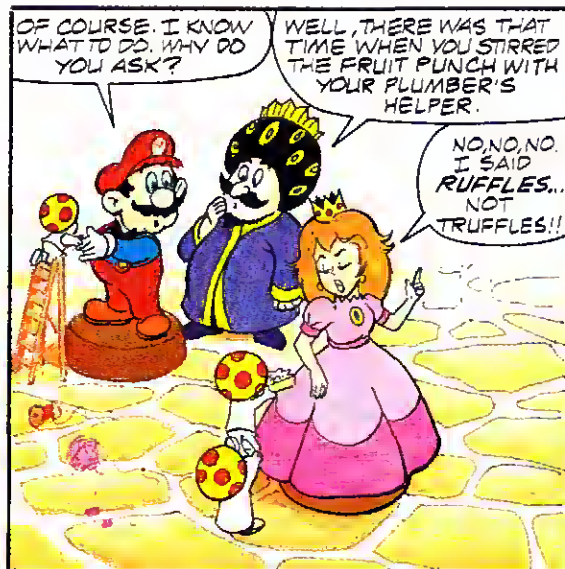


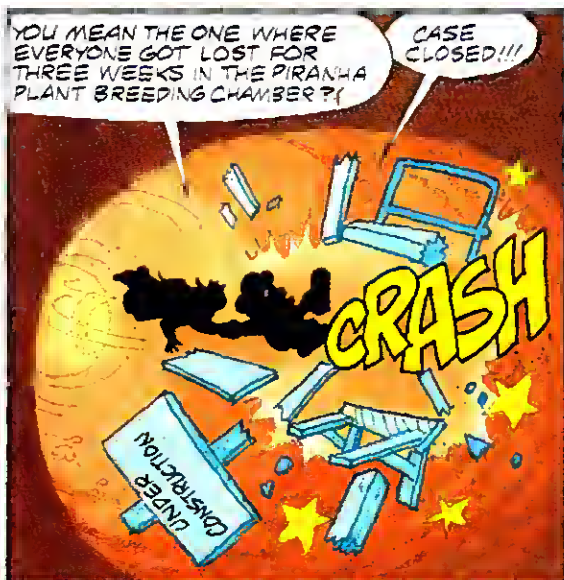
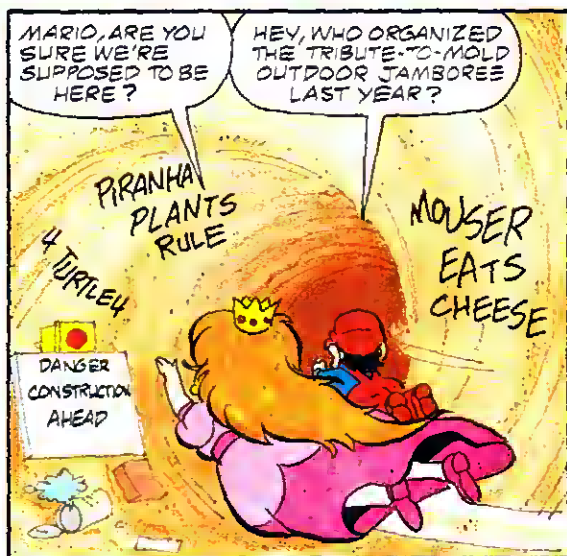
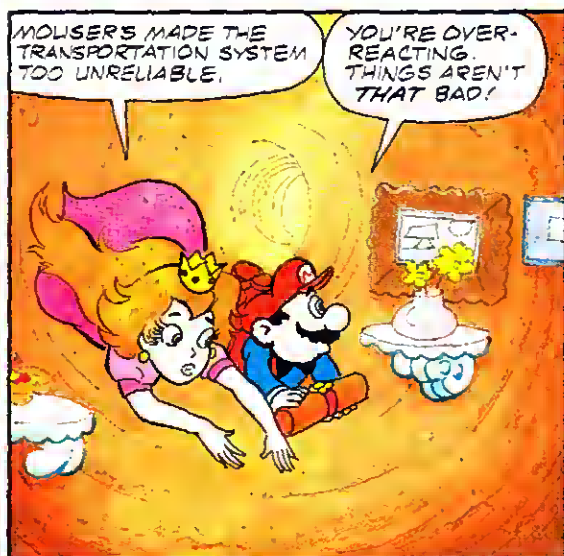
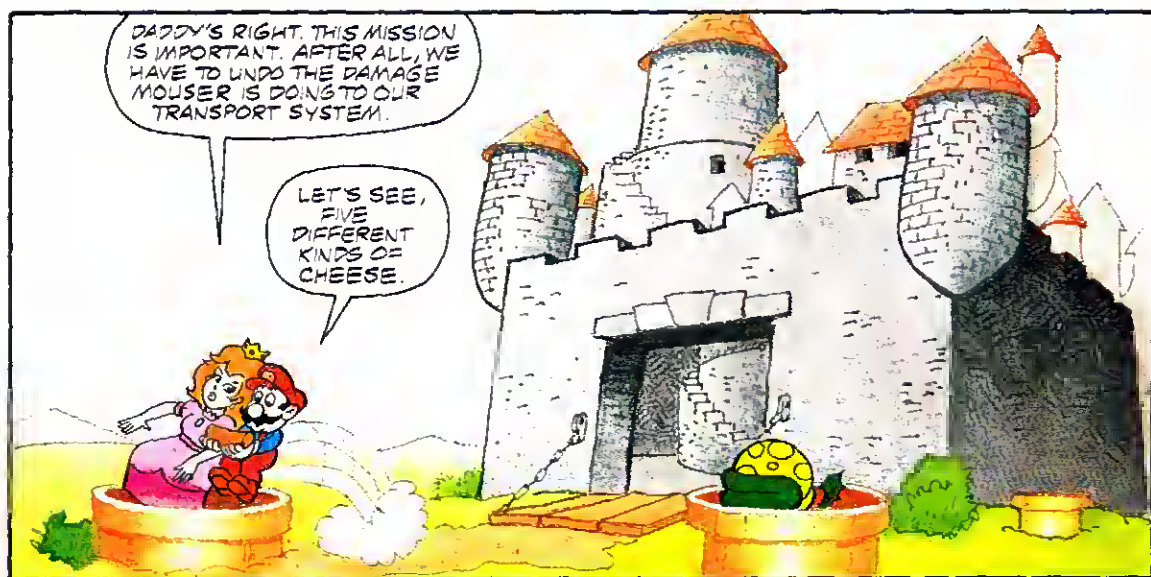
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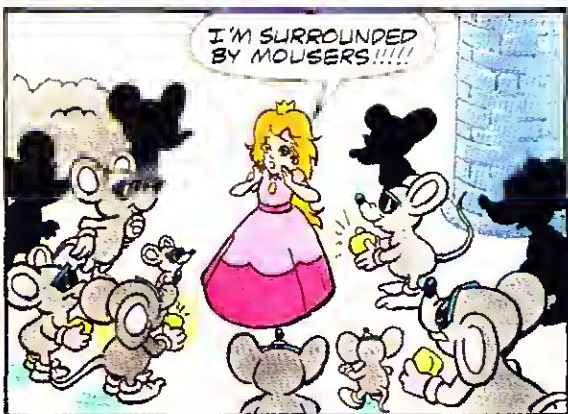
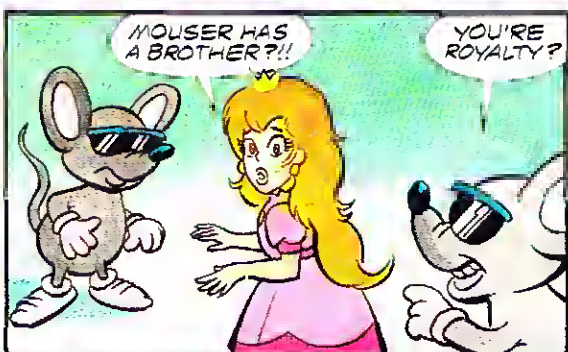
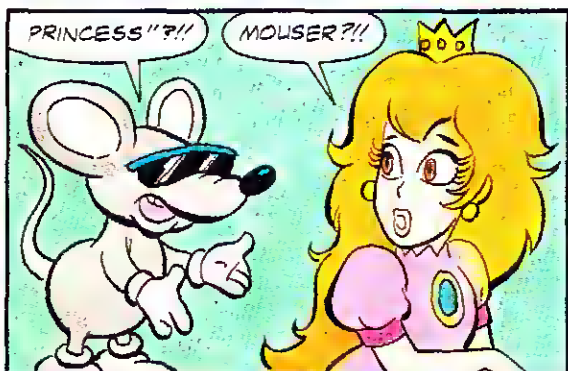
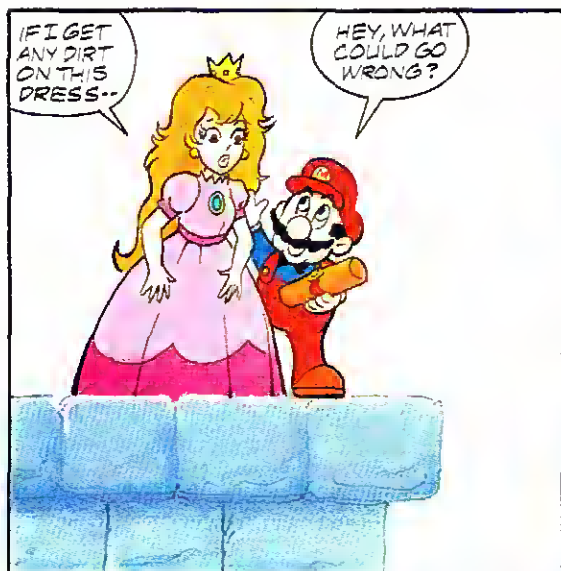
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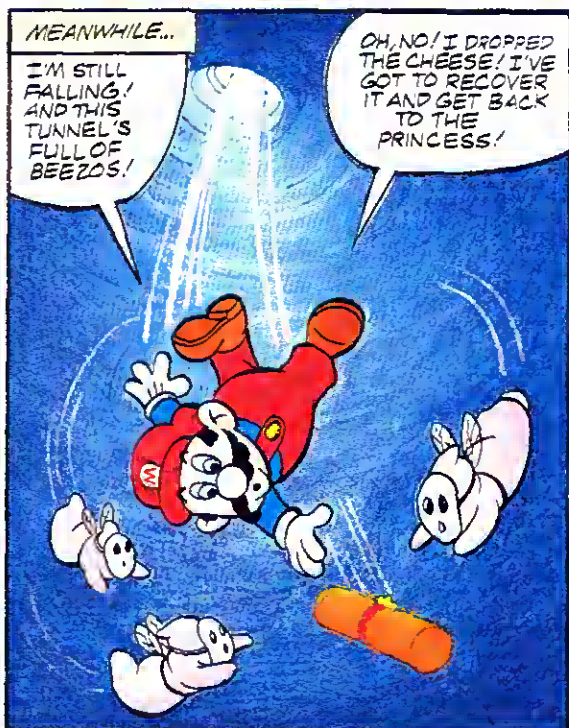
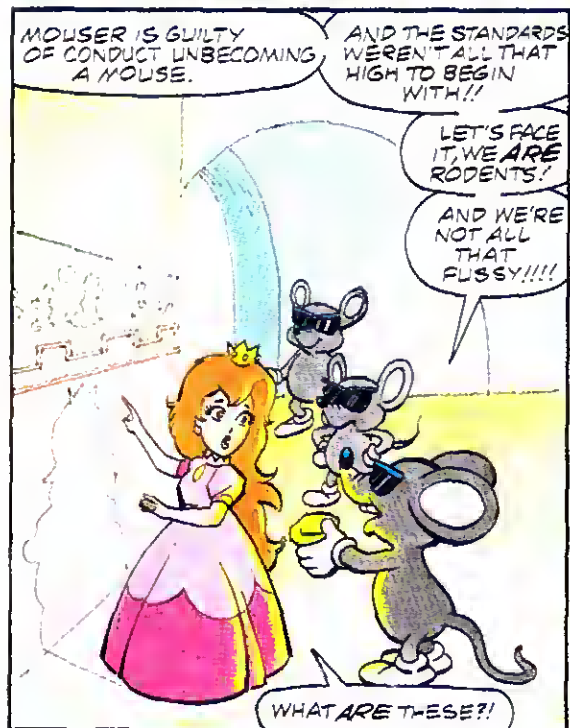
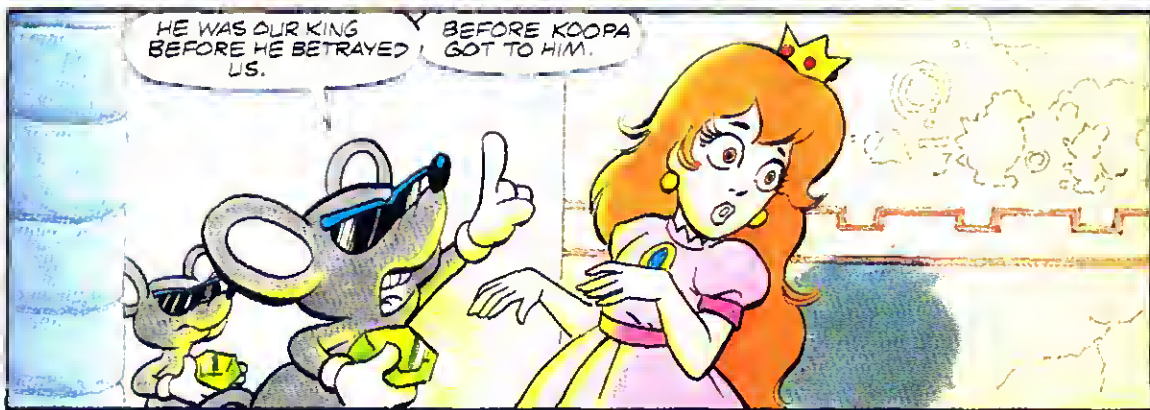
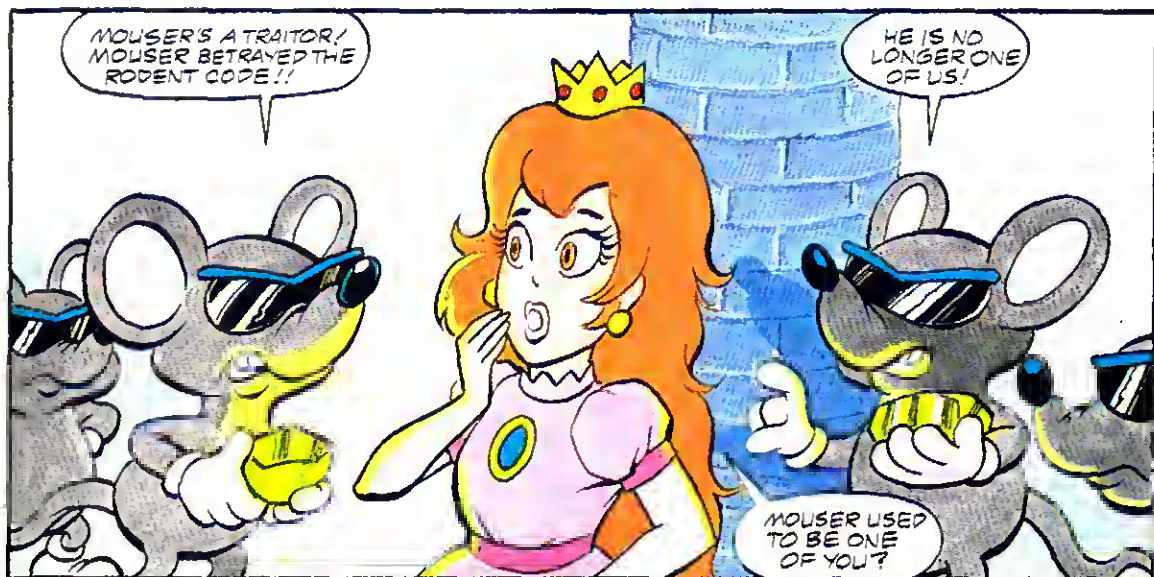
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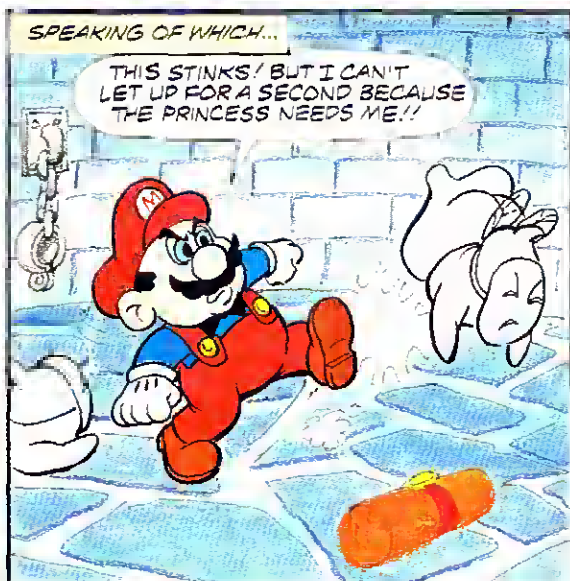
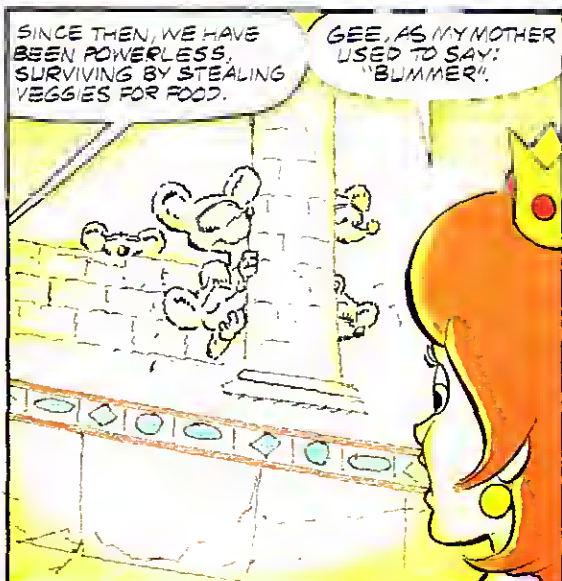
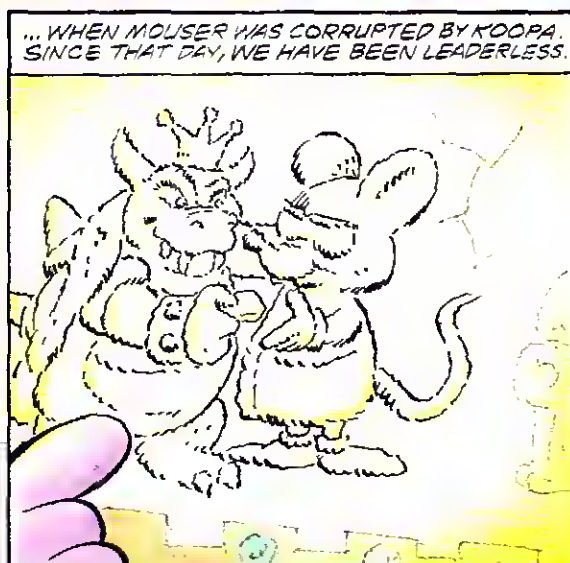
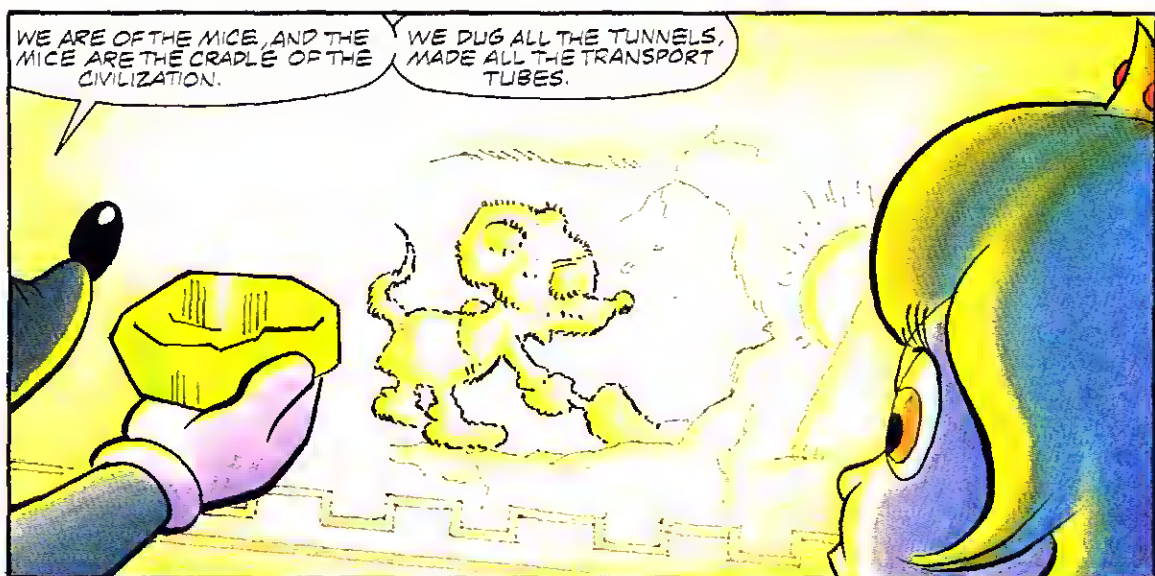


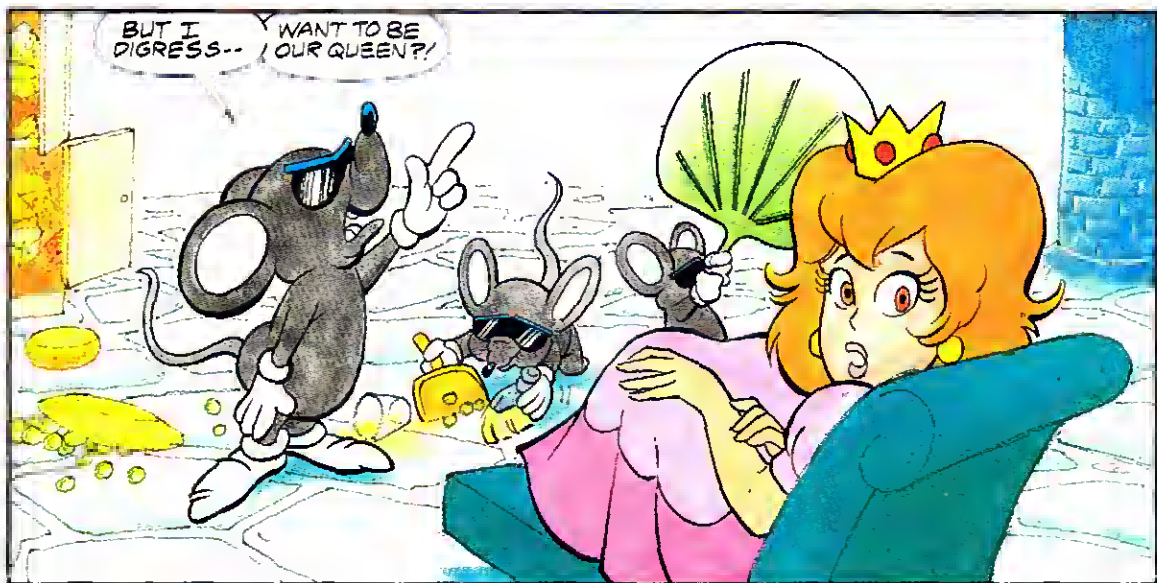
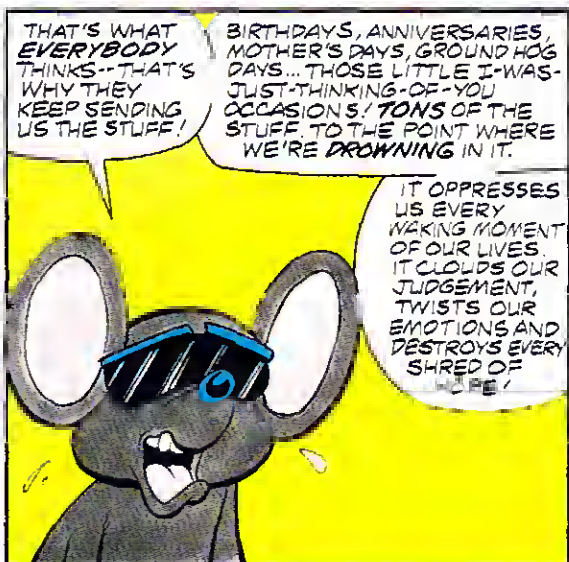
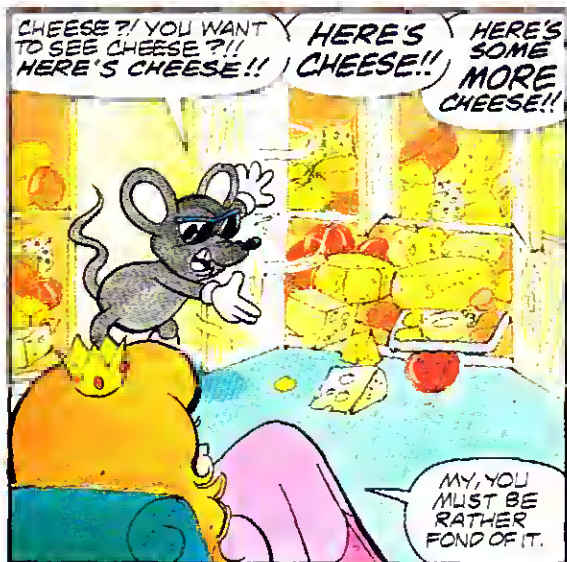
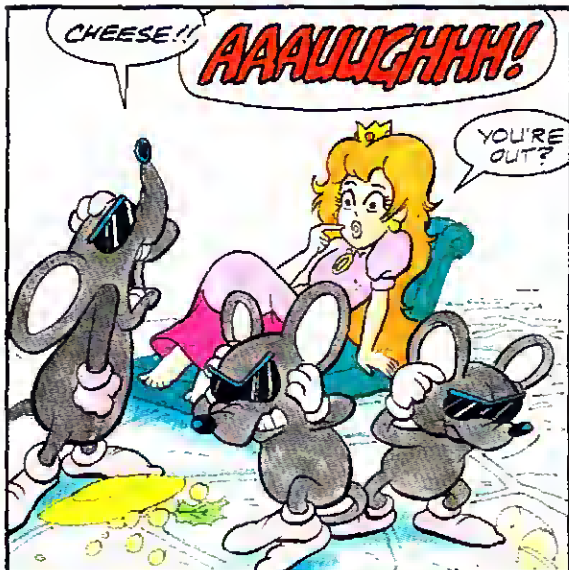


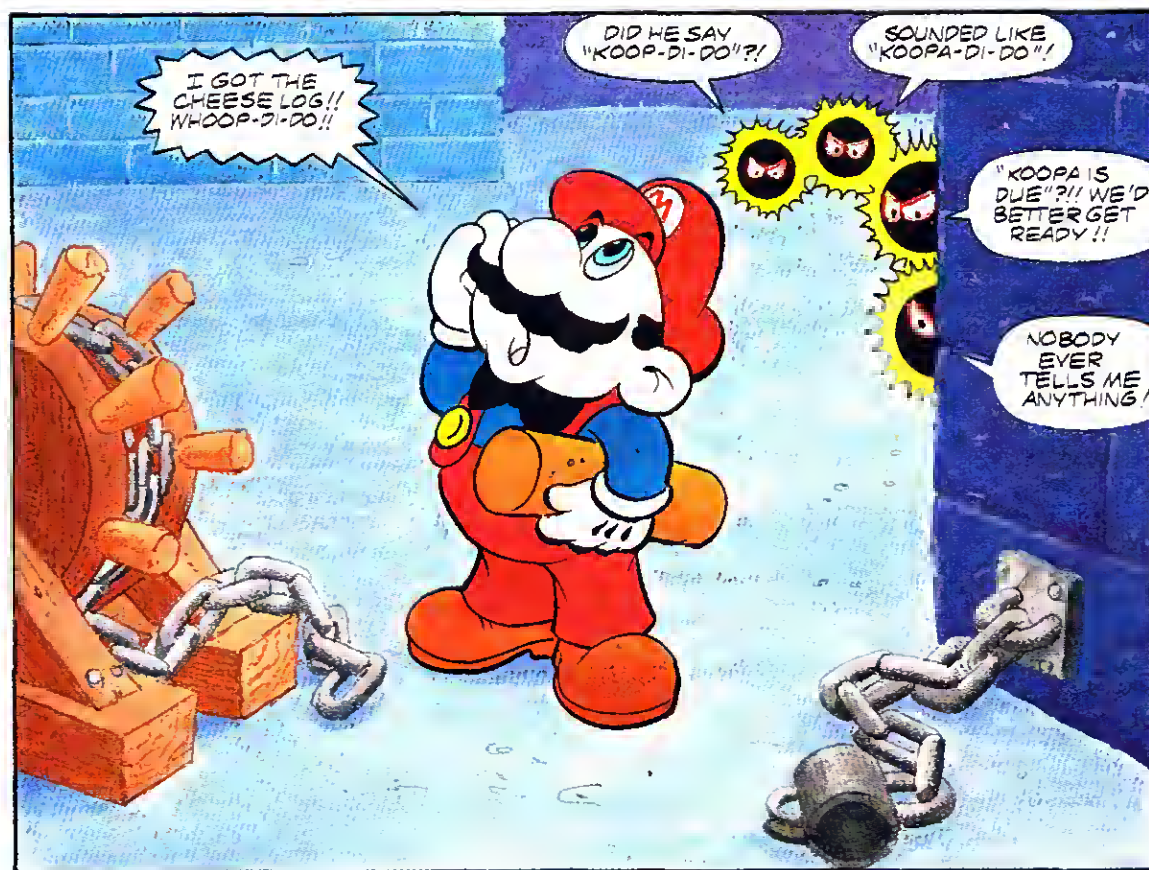
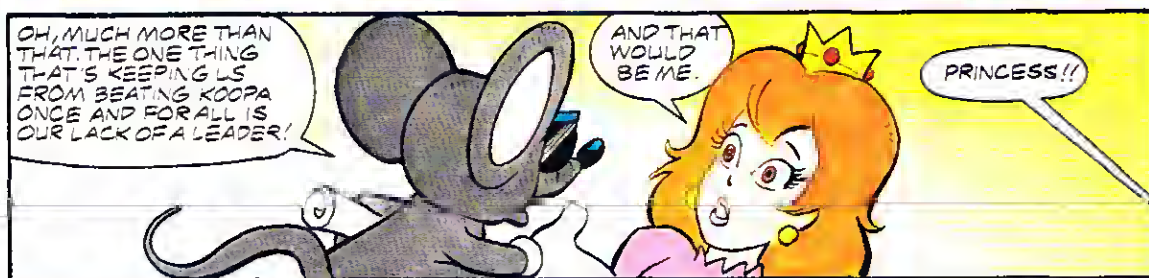
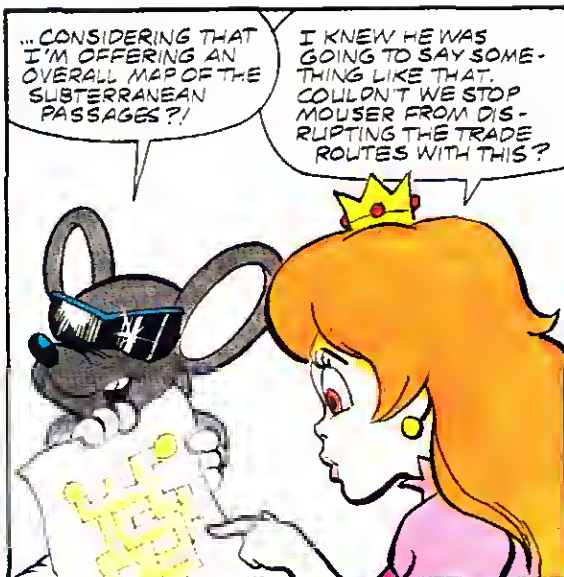


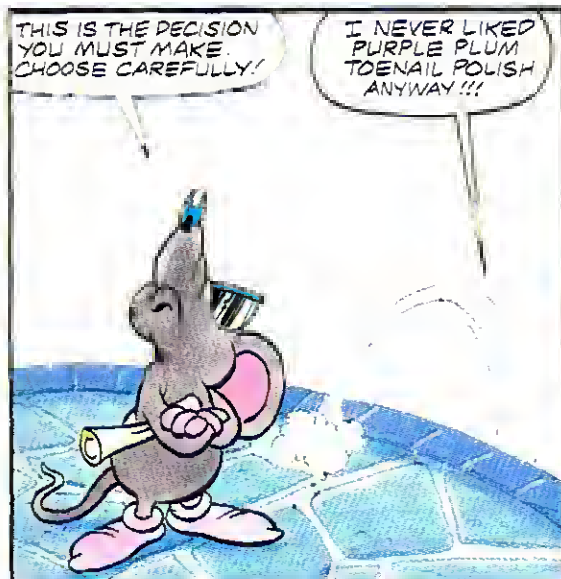
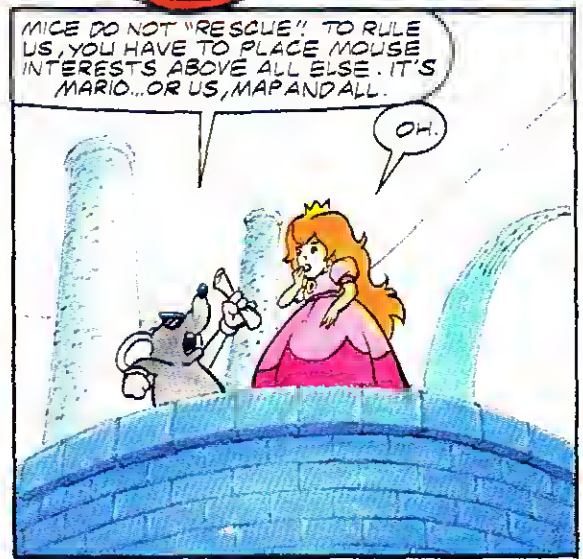
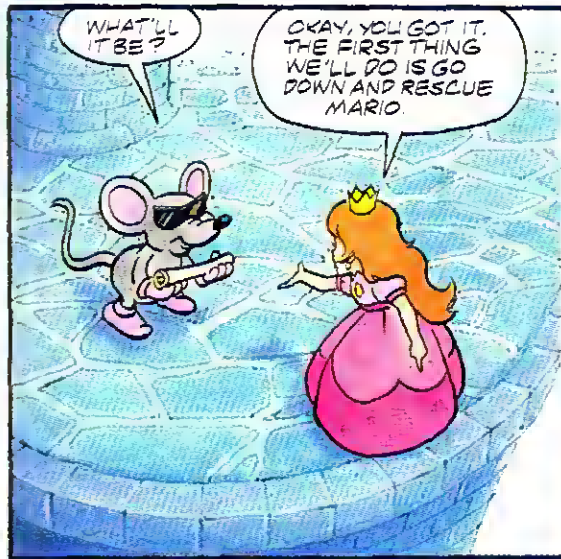
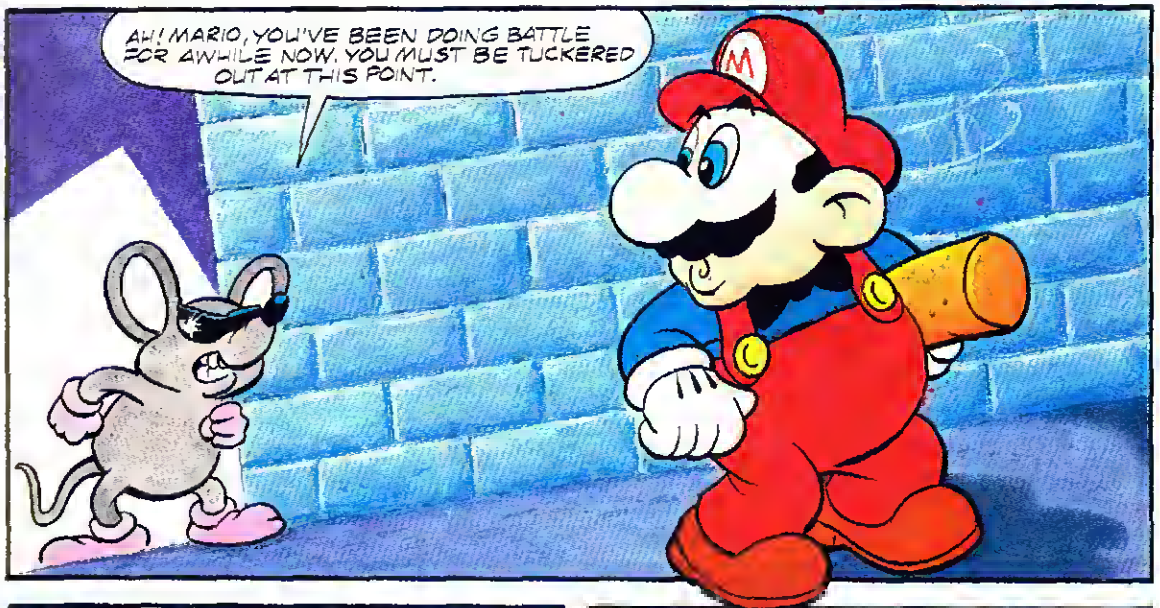


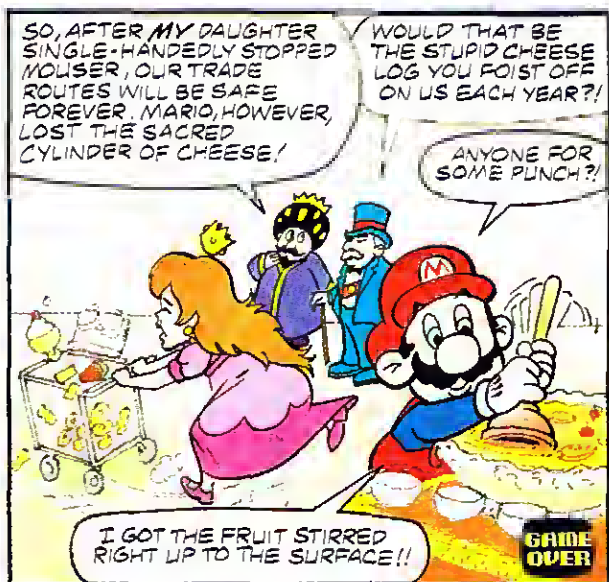
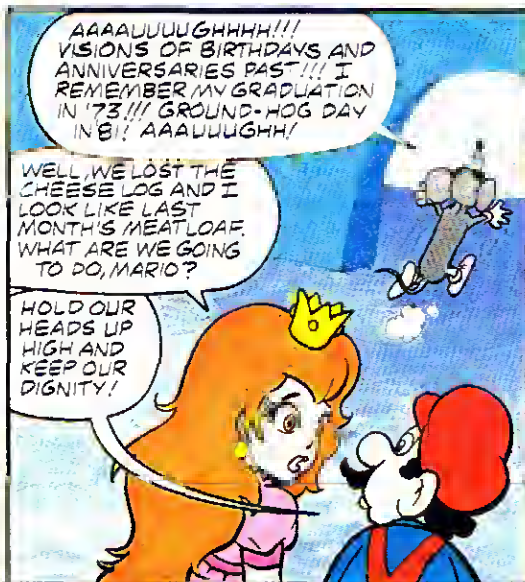
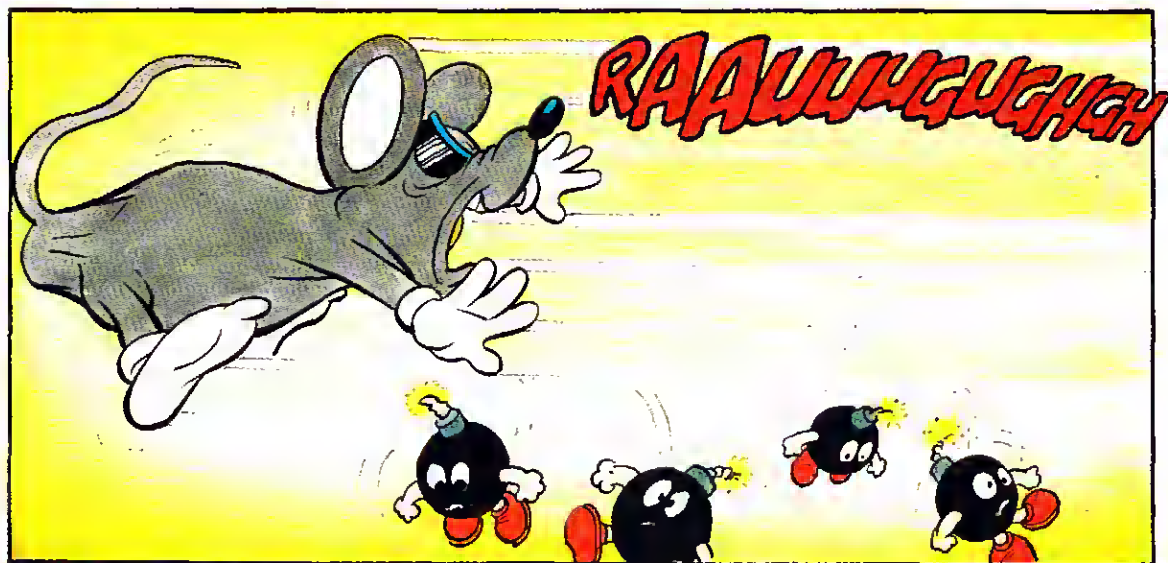
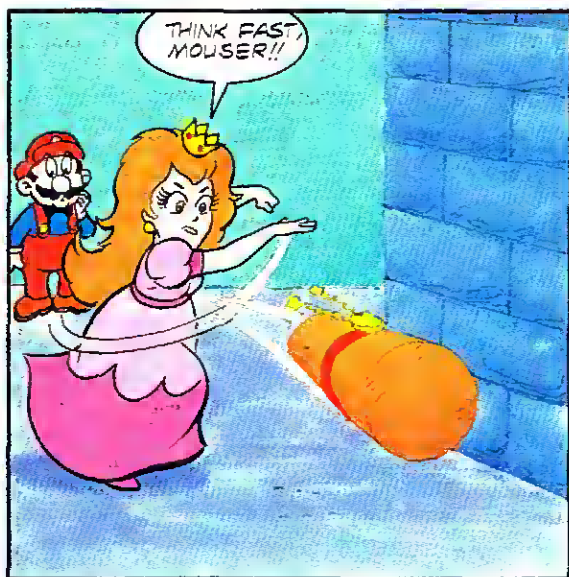
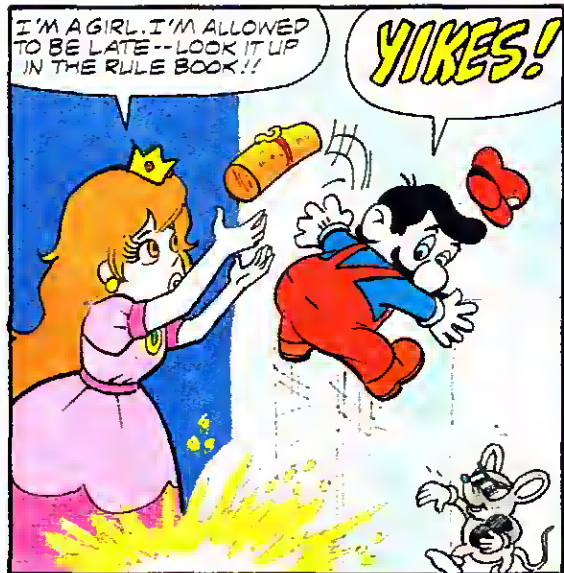












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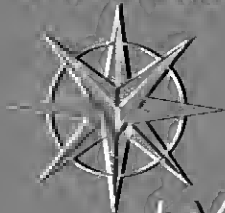


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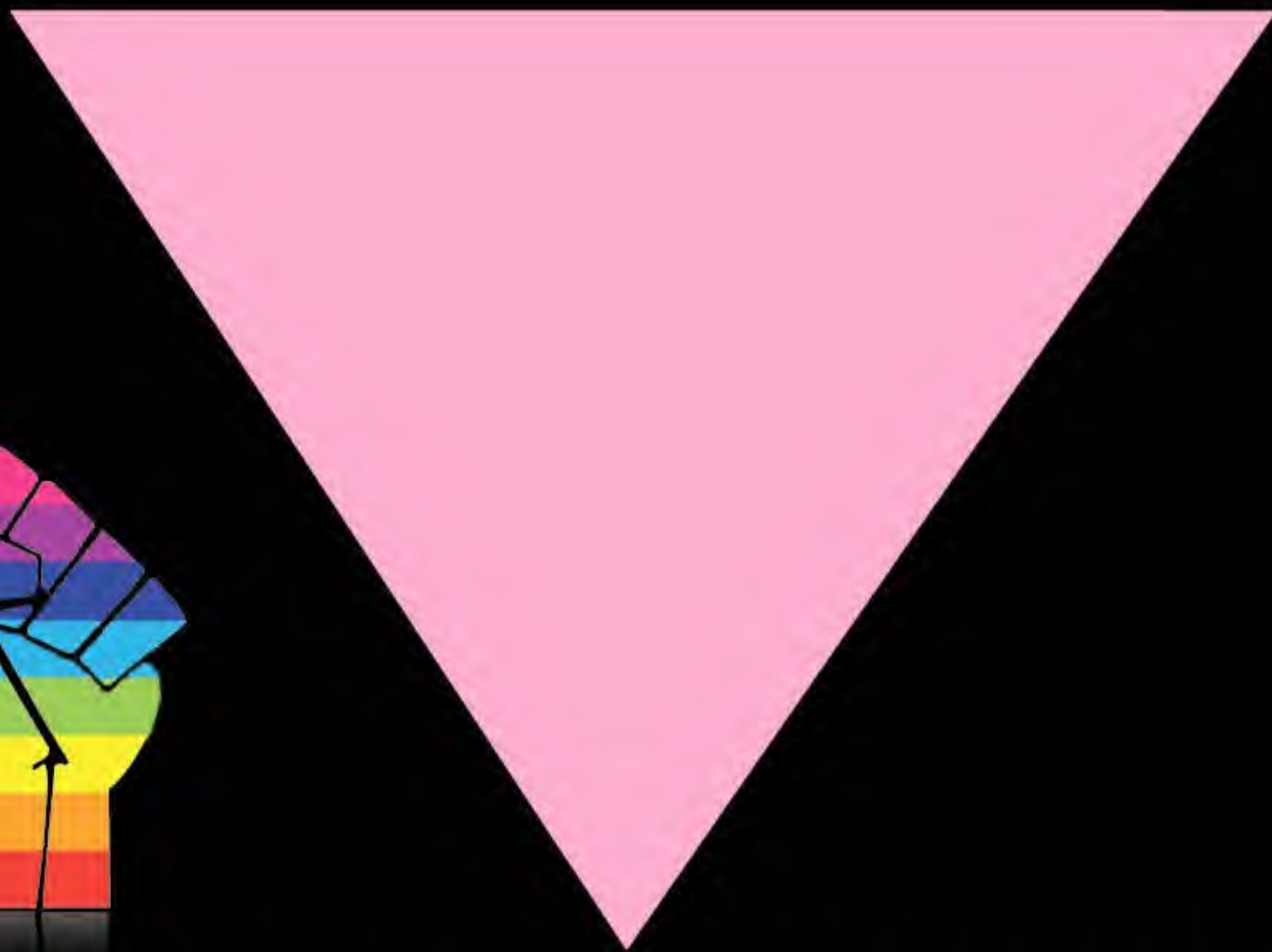
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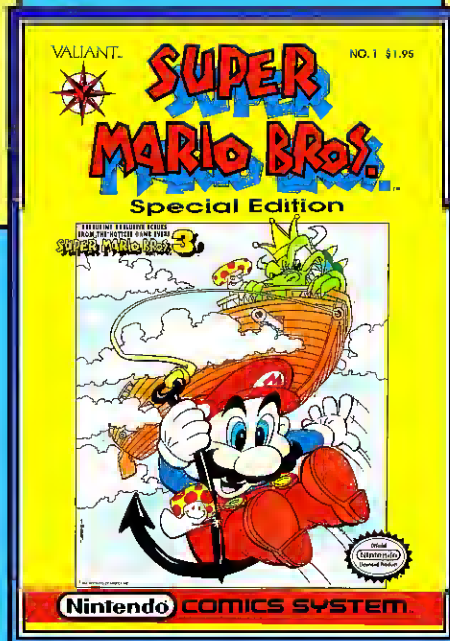
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